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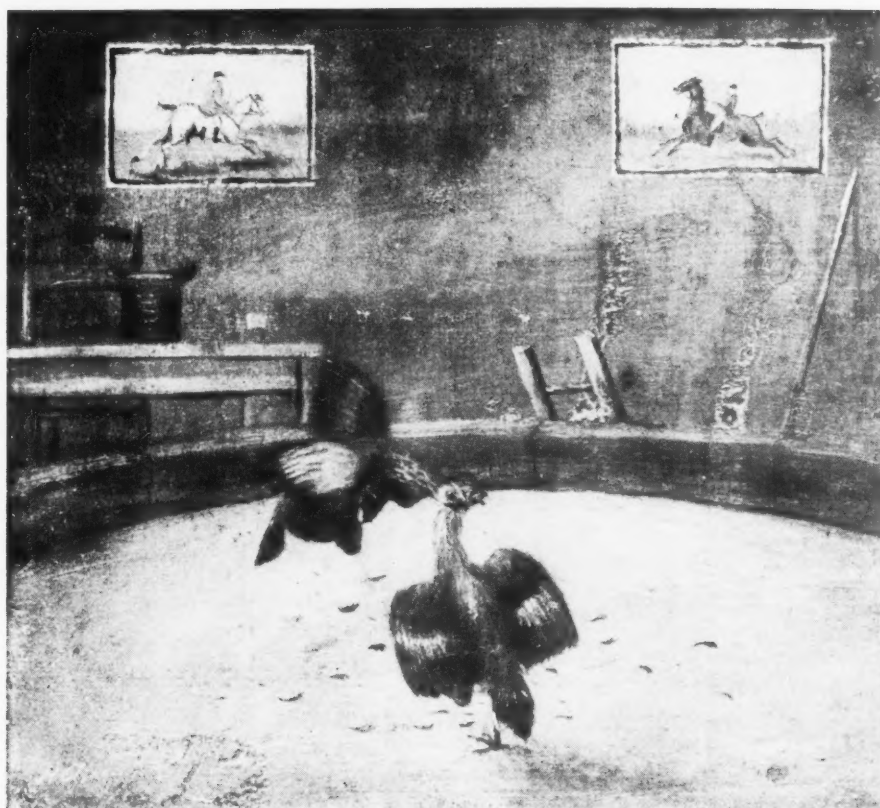
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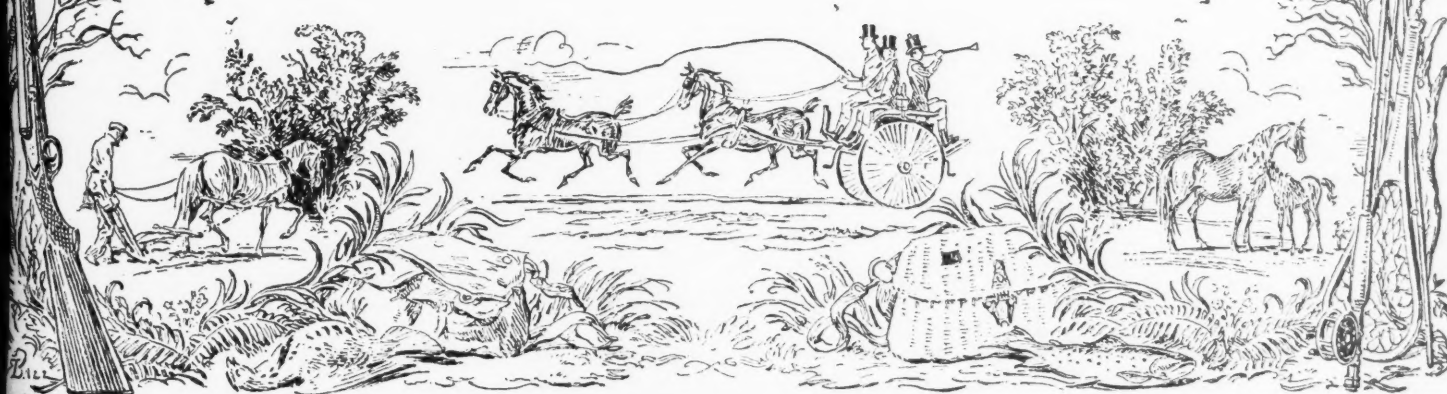
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FINDING A TIMBER HORSE

Many a sporting owner has and will continue to turn to a knowledgeable horseman and say, "Find me a timber horse." The horseman may say, "Sure, have one for you tomorrow," but he is more apt to throw up his hands in horror. One just does not find good timber horses. There are plenty of horses jumping over timber today in the hunting field and the show ring, but send those same horses over 4' of timber at a racing pace and 99% of them will fall down if not the first time, at least enough times to discourage owner and trainer away from the idea of making a timber horse out of their prodigy.

All the same there have been some great timber horses developed in the past twenty years: Oracle II, Billy Barton, Alligator, Captain Kettle, Blockade, Henchman, Troublemaker, Winton, are best known. For some reason great timber horses become household words in a horseman's vocabulary that have the satisfying sound of a bell that rolls a ringing note across the countryside. A great timber horse to any horseman spells courage, stamina, rare ability and a quality that puts the horse above its other equine contemporaries in a hall of fame above monies won or even number of races won. The measure of a great timber horse is more in the way of doing, the way of moving, the innate quality which spells a rare spirit.

That is why when one hears an owner say, "Find me a timber horse," one thinks it might be easier to find a pot of gold. In a span of twenty years how many great timber horses have there been? It is an unanswerable question, one of degree, and numbered on the fingers of your hand. Outstanding class comes but rarely in man and beast and most rarely in a timber horse. It is with rare appreciation, therefore, that each newcomer into the timber field is welcomed, whether it is as an owner, rider or trainer. This Fall to be remembered for the continuing upsurge of interest in hunt meetings, will also be remembered for Mrs. C. S. Richards and Tino Wave. Three out of 4 wins facing the best competition there was to offer, the Remount bred gelding, raised by Dr. Traynaham of Warm Springs, Virginia, made by Horace Moffett and trained by Chris Greer has succeeded in making a niche for himself in the timber hall of fame which, with continued good fortune may grow into yet another of those immortals whose names we know so well.

What does it take, or what did it take to produce Tino Wave? First of all it took an owner with enough courage to say, "Find me a timber horse." It took Mr. Greer an equal amount of nerve to say, "He had one." It took Horace Moffett three years to make Tino Wave into a jumper and his breeder 3 years to raise him.

One day when Horace Moffett was at Warm Springs buying another horse, he spotted Tino Wave galloping in a field as a 3-year-old and with nothing further to go on but a horseman's eye or instinct, call it what you will, he told Dr. Traynaham he "guessed he would take that one along, too."

For three years Tino Wave was hunted with Orange County and each year his ability to jump grew, and developed into that pattern that must become so much a part of a great horse, that its approach to a fence becomes second nature, for a timed take-off. A timber horse cannot be sloppy. A good one cannot make mistakes. Chris Greer looking for another Houseman happened to see Tino Wave with Jack Skinner in a school over brush at Middleburg. The little horse filled his eye the way a truly great horse will suddenly strike

a man with an eye for a horse, obliterating everything for an instant, but that horse.

Last Spring Tino Wave fell at his first start, came 2nd in his next start and then did nothing more until Mr. Greer with that photographic instant in which he knew he had seen a good horse, still fresh in his mind, told Mrs. Richards he could find her a timber horse. Congratulations Jimmy Arthur, Chris Greer, Mrs. Richards and Tino Wave. The team of you represent the impossible, the successful discovery of a great timber horse showing once more that it still is possible to do the impossible.

CHRONICLE QUIZ



1. WHAT IS THE MEANING
OF THE PHRASE "PUT A STICK
ON A HORSE?"

- Assign the following horses to the world's records which they still hold: Equipoise, Ballot, Bolingbroke, Chilhowee; 1 5/16 mi., 1 1/4 mi., 1 mi., 1 1/2 mi.
- What is the oldest Thoroughbred mare to be in foal?
- What is the unit of measurement of the height of a horse and where is a horse measured?
- What is the scientific name for founder?
- How many pounds to the bushel should good oats weigh?

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Letters To The Editor

English Hunting Outlook

Dear Editor:

I am quoted as saying that hunting is "doomed" in England. This, taken out of its context, sounds a bit like Comrade Molotov shouting "Capitalism is doomed" and it carries the hint of a suggestion that I don't like England or am unfriendly to hunting.

Of course, the reverse is true. I have lived in England for long periods and I love the country and the people. I am just about as much of an Anglophile as it is possible for a patriotic citizen of another country to be. My interest in Foxhunting everywhere is well known.

What I meant by my remarks to Mr. Higginson is that any government faced with economic crisis is bound to take certain measures which will not have the advancement of sport as their primary objects and that the jovial Sir Stafford and his lads might take a notion that hounds and horses have to eat, that labor should be channelled into the manufacture of exportable products and that nice galloping pastures should be converted into truck gardens.

If we can have poultryless Thursdays, how about houndless Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, etc. I can imagine that this might sound like a pious thought to a lot of Socialists. I am sure there would be a great deal of good wholesome opposition as there is to other restrictions and phases of the austerity program. But would it be enough?

I certainly hope that Alex Higginson is right but I shall take the precaution of keeping my fingers crossed until we see a vote of no confidence. The recent municipal elections

would indicate an encouraging trend and the day may yet be saved.

However, I can't see that a firmly entrenched socialist regime is going to do hunting any good as the basic tenets of its political creed are enmity to most of the factors that have made English hunting what it is.

If the Labor lads get out their hatchets and really go to work, I hate to think what might happen. However, I sincerely hope they don't and it won't. Nothing would make me happier than to discover that my pessimism is without foundation. Of course, I don't know anything about it but I have a general dislike for and fear of the manoeuvrings of all left-wing parties wherever they are or whatever they may be called. The well-known common sense of Englishmen will probably haul the government up short of any measures that are too extreme except in meeting a temporary emergency.

Sincerely

Sydney R. Smith

Canaan, N. Y.

Weight Not Breeding

Dear Sir:

In his Breeder's Notes column (Chronicle, October 24), Mr. Baldwin suggests that superior breeding might have had something to do with Adaptable's photo-finish win over War Battle in the recent Grand National at Belmont. According to Mr. Baldwin, "Adaptable had the speed and 'lick' to spot War Battle three lengths between the last fence and the finish and still come on and won." He failed to mention, however, that War Battle had spotted

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Toronto and North York Hunter Trials

Robert Elder Captures Prince of Wales Cup At Canadian Thanksgiving Day Trials On Beverly Farms

Broadview

A well attended sporting event of the Canadian Thanksgiving, Oct. 13, was the annual Hunter Trials of the Toronto and North York Hunt at Aurora, Ont. Held over the hunter course at Beverly Farms in grand weather, despite discouraging rain in the early morning, the trials drew a very large crowd but not as many horses as last year.

The first of the 3 morning events was the coveted Solar Eclipse Challenge Plate for qualified hunters. Tom Gayford's Rocket put in a slashing performance showing real ability to move on despite trappy jumps.

The second event for the D'Alton McCarthy Memorial Cup for novice hunters fell to Carl Pielsticker's grey mare Bearex, fresh from her successes in the green and maiden classes at the Eglinton Hunter Trials on Saturday. In this event C. L. Robins of St. Catharines took the wrong panel into the woods and could be heard thrashing around for sometime, looking for the exit which he presumed would be somewhere to the right but was finally found by one of the clerks of the course, Bob Hollingsworth, and safely escorted back.

The Elder Challenge Cup for pairs went to Major Harrison Gilmour's two handsome greys, Cloud and Storm, in fact 3 of the 4 placings went to grey pairs, which certainly show up well under pink coats with the lovely fall background.

Feature event of the day was the hunt race for the Prince of Wales Challenge Cup. Five entries started but none of the amateur riders were wearing silks on this occasion. It was a good race with a stirring finish though spectators seemed to be running as hard as the horses, up and down the hills and back and forth to keep the race in sight.

Mrs. Hugh S. C. Wilson took the lead and promptly opened up a good margin with Herb Tillman's Konan, bay Thoroughbred mare, well known in Ontario show circles for a number of years. She retained a good lead for the first mile when the other 2 horses remaining in contention started to make their bid and the last 1-2 mile on the steeplechase course was a real race all the way, with Bob Elder on Tycoon and Brian Herbinson on a new Thoroughbred of Mrs. W. A. Willison's, Quanvol, closely bunched. The drive for home saw Tycoon inch out by 1-2 length and though Mrs. Wilson drove hard, Konan neither gained nor relinquished the distance, and while Quanvol was, as you might say, on speaking terms with the leaders, he could gain no more ground and the race and the honours went to that great hearted Half-bred Tycoon. This good bay gelding is one of the most honest hunters in the Toronto and North York country and had already been

over the hunter course in the morning. Incidentally, he won the Solar Eclipse Plate last year and ran 2nd in the Prince of Wales.

The hunt team event, always one of the most colourful, was awarded to Major Clifford Sifton's well appointed team of bays which had a beautiful performance.

Last event was the Farmers' race for 1-4 mile with 3 starters. This was won by Mr. Bosworth's 3-year-old Thoroughbred over a fast moving little grey driving mare. The day was marred, however, when the fine old sportsman, Mr. Perch (who rides with a wooden leg), came to grief when his horse stumbled at the finish. Great concern was felt for the old gentleman who insisted he was all right and wanted to get up, but was wisely restrained until a doctor and a car were procured and it was later learned that he had broken two ribs.

The judges who officiated were new arrivals from England, Major Robert Vandenberg, late secretary of the Enfield Chase Hunt, and Commander "Rosie" Stokes-Rees, late of His Majesty's Royal Navy. Major Vandenberg and Commander Stokes-Rees are valuable additions to our Hunt, both being well known in English hunting and steeplechase circles. Another addition to horses and hunting is Miss Joy Hinton, just out from England, who was reporting for "Horse and Hound". She will also cover the Royal Winter Fair Horse Show.

SUMMARIES

Qualified hunters—1. Rocket, T. Gayford; 2. Rrompton, Lady Eaton; 3. Just, Mrs. Adele Mulock; 4. Lady Diane, Maj. G. Gayford.

Novice hunters—1. Bearex, C. Pielsticker; 2. Temptation, Mrs. H. S. C. Wilson; 3. Thunderlark, C. Pielsticker; 4. Jimminy Cricket, R. Elder.

Pair qualified hunters—1. Cloud, Storm, Maj. M. H. Gilmour; 2. Lady Diane, Rocket, Maj. G. Gayford; 3. Bearex, C. Pielsticker; 4. Banchee, Mrs. H. S. C. Wilson; 5. Giant Yellow Knife, Thunderlark, C. Pielsticker.

Prince of Wales Challenge Cup, qualified hunters, abt. 2 mi. over timber.
1. Tycoon, (R. Elder), R. Elder.
2. Konan, (Herb Tillman), Mrs. Hugh Wilson.
3. Quanvol, (Mrs. W. A. Willison), Brian Herbinson.

Also ran: Mr. C. L. Robins' Invasion; Mr. C. T. McMullen's Brown Eagle.

Teams of three qualified hunters—1. Crocus, Ernest La Point, Rocket, Major Clifford Sifton; Entry: 2. Bluegrass, Major Clifford Sifton; 3. Giant Yellowknife, Jeep, Major Gordon Gayford; 4. Thunderlark, Bearex, Carl Pielsticker; 5. Worth, Huntress, Temptation, Mrs. Hugh Wilson.

Farmers' flat race, 1/4 mile—1. Mairsy B., (Mr. Bosworth), Shorty Greenwood; 2. Grey mare, (Mr. Peerce), Norm Neigh; fell: Trigger, Mr. P. Perch.

SILVER HORN

William Katz of Fairlawn Farms, Portchester, N. Y., has loaned his good open horse, Silver Horn, to Col. Andrew A. Frierson. This big 17.3 hand jumper was loaned so that Col. Frierson would be mounted if and when he joins the Olympic team.

Now showing at the Royal Win-

Charbur Garners Jumping Honors At West Chester

John Bausman

A happy note of informality was combined with careful planning and good management to make the West Chester Colt Show and Hunter Trials, held on November 1 at Grange Farm, Scenelltown Road, near West Chester, Pa., a very successful occasion. Although the opening day of the Pennsylvania gunning season and other Fall attractions competed for the sportsman's attention, a satisfactory crowd attended.

It was a fine day for the trials, clear and cool, with a good autumn breeze that seemed to suit many of the 59 entries perfectly. A large number of them had a good performance and completed the course without so much of the heat and lather that resulted at many of the hunter trials held during the warm weather of the past month.

Among the excellent performances was that of Charbur, a handsome, young, chestnut gelding, owned and ridden by Charles Cann, which brought in the top honors in the open class and the first leg on the challenge trophy for this event. Donald Moore's chestnut gelding, Hydraulic, covered the course beautifully and was judged second of the 27 entries in this same class.

The course, between a mile and a quarter and a mile and a half long, consisted of 14 jumps scattered across the rolling pastures of the Sydney Glass Grange Farm, with all the jumps in view of the ring and parking area. There were several spills during the afternoon. The ambulance was pressed into service, however, for only one, when Richard Rhoads, riding Big Severn, was thrown against a fence after the horse refused an in-and-out. Fortunately his injuries were later reported to be less severe than was at first feared.

The two classes for young hunters were won by Farm Belle, Mr. and

Mrs. W. Plunket Stewart's four-year-old bay mare. The first of these classes was held in the ring at a walk, trot and canter. The second was over eight jumps in the ring. The same mare won the ladies' class over the hunter trial course and was ridden in all three events by Mrs. John Hannum III.

The hunt teams provided a great deal of interest. Not a single refusal and excellent control in spacing and grouping for going over the line fences abreast won first prize for the team made up of Muscatel, Grey Eagle, and Tex, three well matched greys owned respectively by Miss Isobel Meade, Vernon L. Hoffman, and Vernon L. Hoffman, Jr.

Judges for the show and hunter trials were Mr. William H. Ashton, Edgemont, Pa., and Mr. Robert E. Strawbridge, Old Westbury, L. I., N. Y.

SUMMARIES

Young hunters—1. Farm Belle, W. Plunket Stewart; 2. Flag Top, J. Harley Nash; 3. Duces Wild, J. T. Morris; 4. Charbur, Charles Cann.

Young hunters—1. Farm Belle, W. Plunket Stewart; 2. Flag Top, J. Harley Nash; 3. Lanthorne, W. Plunket Stewart; 4. Mariana, Eric Renwick.

Children under 16 yrs.—1. Good Enough, Thomas McKelvey; 2. Reno Kazon, Charles Lyman; 3. Little Archie, Frolic Weymouth; 4. Halbred, Gene Weymouth.

Handy hunter—1. My Pal, Mrs. Edgar Scott; 2. Patsy, William P. Snow; 3. Flag Top II, J. Harley Nash; 4. Farm Belle, W. Plunket Stewart.

Open class—1. Charbur, Charles Cann; 2. Hydraulic, Donald W. Moore; 3. Batchelor's Lad, Mrs. Edgar Scott; 4. Midnight, F. M. Mitchell.

Ladies' class—1. Farm Belle, W. Plunket Stewart; 2. Oxford Cherry, Mrs. John West; 3. Batchelor's Lad, Mrs. Edgar Scott; 4. Gypsy Violin, J. Murtagh.

Hunt teams—1. Muscatel, Isobel Meade; Grey Eagle, Vernon L. Hoffman; Tex, Vernon L. Hoffman, Jr.; 2. Gypsy Violin, Sir Charles, Road Knight, J. Murtagh; 3. Happy H., Mr. Boyd; Majority Girl, Thomas McKelvey; 4. My Star, Fanny McIlvaine; Obie Gay, Mrs. Mary Palmer; Abiel, Betty McFarland.



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Watchung Show's Open Jumping Classes Won By Uplift

Doug Bailey

One of Jersey's best matinee events was the decision on the hunter and jumper show Sunday, September 21, at Watchung Stables, Summit, N. J. Classes generally were well-filled, competition was keen and the ribbons were well-scattered.

Uplift, L. S. Freeman's veteran Morristown combination hunter-jumper, won two open classes, ridden by Ev Cornish, while R. D. Messner's My Folly, handled by Miss Susan Lillard, won the junior jumper event and the tricky handy course. The jump stake, knock-down, went to Hubba Hubba, owned by Mrs. Rose Lunch, Jersey City, ridden by Herb Altounian.

For the first time, the show was as a licensed event and the recognized hunter seat horsemanship classes proved popular. Lorrimer Armstrong, Jr. of Westfield, N. J., won the medal and an open class. Miss Phyllis Robitoy of Maplewood, N. J., took the open limit and the class for Watchung riders, then made it again by riding Miss Nelson's Miss Scott for the blue in children's jumpers.

Hunter team classes were the one light spot of the afternoon, but they provided plenty of thrills. In the pairs abreast, won by Miss Fyfe's Hi-Ted and Miss Corcoran's Laughter, Miss Susan Lillard and Frankie Chapot took 3rd in a wild scramble that ended about a mile off the course. Pushing his unwilling Decision, Frankie shed both stirrups on the home stretch and they went out the gate at a sprint pace. Unable to pull up, both horses galloped to a hard road, where Decision went down. Sue's Gros Rire jumped the fallen horse and rider and finally pulled up in an empty garage. No one was hurt.

SUMMARIES

Limit jumpers—1. Unanimous, Helen Adam; 2. Plea O'Doon, Russell Lynady; 3. To y V, Anthony Giordano; 4. Tambourine, Robert G. Dickson, Jr.

Novice hunters—1. Big Red, Mrs. F. D. Gearhart; 2. Laughter, Jean Corcoran; 3. Miss Scott, Muriel Nelson; 4. Louvre, L. M. Robertson.

Limit horsemanship—1. Phyllis Robitoy; 2. Eida Richards; 3. Joanne Goosman; 4. Dianne Tuzik; 5. Jannett Van Voorhees; 6. Thomas Hennessey.

Open jumpers—1. Uplift, L. S. Freeman; 2. Major Endeavor, Mrs. D. W. Thackeray; 3. Tambourine, Robert G. Dickson, Jr.; 4. Unanimous, Helen Adam.

Open horsemanship—1. Lorrimer Armstrong, Jr.; 2. Phyllis Robitoy; 3. Dianne Tuzik; 4. Joanne Goosman; 5. Eida Richards; 6. Pat Seaman.

Watchung troops' horsemanship—1. Phyllis Robitoy; 2. Marilyn Hollenbeck; 3. Judy Griswold; 4. Nancy Jack; 5. Polly Betts; 6. Becky Kincaid.

Limit hunters—1. Louvre, L. M. Robertson; 2. Laughter, Jean Corcoran; 3. Giddy Boy, Mrs. F. D. Gearhart; 4. Fairlee, Dr. Theodore Tuzik.

Open jumpers—1. Uplift, L. S. Freeman; 2. My Folly, R. D. Messner; 3. Red Rascal, Barton Todd; 4. Tony V., Anthony Giordano.

Hunter hacks—1. Laughter, Jean Corcoran; 2. Keyboard, Joanne Goosman; 3. Giddy Boy, Mrs. F. D. Gearhart; 4. Billy B., Eida Richards.

Junior jumpers—1. My Folly, R. D. Messner; 2. Smokey, Jannett Van Voorhees; 3. Fairlee, Dr. Theodore Tuzik; 4. Tambourine, Robert G. Dickson, Jr.

Handy hunters or jumpers—1. My Folly, R. D. Messner; 2. Hubba Hubba, Mrs. Rose Lynch; 3. Unanimous, Helen Adam; 4. My Joe, Anthony Giordano.

MacLay—1. Sara Brown; 2. Jannett Van Voorhees; 3. Joanne Goosman; 4. Desire Clausen; 5. Barbara Fyfe; 6. Eida Richards.

Open hunters—1. Hi-Ted, Barbara Fyfe; 2. Big Red, Mrs. F. D. Gearhart; 3. Laughter, Jean Corcoran; 4. Giddy Boy, Mrs. F. D. Gearhart.

Medal class horsemanship—1. Lorrimer Armstrong, Jr.; 2. Susan Lillard; 3. Phyllis Robitoy; 4. Dianne Tuzik; 5. Barbara Fyfe; 6. Joanne Goosman.

Hunter stake—1. Laughter, Jean Corcoran; 2. Giddy Boy, Mrs. Gearhart; 3. Gros Rire, Susan Lillard; 4. Big Red, Mrs. F. D. Gearhart.

Children's hunters—1. Miss Scott, Muriel Nelson; 2. Big Red, Mrs. F. D. Gearhart; 3. Keyboard, Joanne Goosman; 4. Gros Rire, Susan Lillard.

Hunter pairs abreast—1. Hi Ted, Barbara Fyfe, and Laughter, Jean Corcoran; 2. Fairlee, Dr. Theodore Tuzik, and Unanimous, Helen Adam; 3. Gros Rire, Susan Lillard, and Decision, Frank D. Chapot.

Hunter teams tandem—1. Hi Ted, Barbara Fyfe, Laughter, Jean Corcoran, and Unanimous, Helen Adam; 2. Major Endeavor, Mrs. D. W. Thackeray; Louvre, L. M. Robertson, and Giddy Boy, Mrs. F. D. Gearhart.

Knock-down-and-out stake—1. Hubba, Hubba, Mrs. Rose Lynch; 2. Tony V., Anthony Giordano; 3. Plea O'Doon, Russell Lynady; 4. My Folly, R. D. Messner.

Close Competition Marks Los Angeles Hunter Performance

Pat Malcolm

Battling for top billing on the Enid McLaglen perpetual trophy make for keen competition between two good hunters, Carbon Copy, owned by Miss Peggy Platz and Bonameo owned by Mrs. David Lincoln (formerly Ellen Crabtree). This all took place during the Los Angeles National Horse Show held Sept. 16-21 at the Cow Palace, Los Angeles, Calif. Carbon Copy led the field for two classes by winning the hunters in livery with a bad stop over the Bon Home horse with a nice go, which ended up 4th. The score now was 5 to 1. Returning for a 10-point lead the black horse annexed his 2nd blue and 5 more points in the lightweight hunters.

Beginning the battle for supremacy Bonameo returned to the ring and won the class for middle and heavyweights. Giving Mrs. Lincoln's brown horse 6 points to the black horse's 10, left one important thing to accomplish, the hunter stake. This class was an easy win for Bonameo with the performances turned in. Bonameo now took the lead, 17 to 15. Carbon had wavered a bit and dropped two poles and tied 5th.

One class to go, ladies' hunters. By this time opinions and hopes for one faction or the other had formed. Both horses were to meet here again. This time Carbon traveled with his owner aboard. There was much heated competitive spirit in the tieing of this class. Scoring the victory was Carbon Copy for the class and the trophy with 20 points. Bonameo finished 3rd and ended in the reserve spot with 19 points to his favor. There was much dispute, like there is in any race. But the facts remained, Carbon Copy, (Tick On—Brigitte), owned by Miss Peggy Platz and shown by Robert Egan, reigned champion hunter and now has two legs on the Enid McLaglen perpetual trophy.

In jumper competition the awards would be one place one night, some place the next. If the points were totaled for each division instead of cumulative for the trophy, Spanish King, owned and ridden by Mrs. Barbara Worth would have been on top of the jumpers list with 1 win, one 2nd and a 5th in the stake. The most outstanding for its breed on the coast, totaled 14 points. Right behind for the imaginary reserve award was Mrs. J. H. Yant's Lady Patrick which, under the handling of Bob Egan, scored 1 win and a 3rd in the stake. This gave the mare 13 points.

Clyde Kennedy's Say When, Mrs. Marjorie Weadock's Mr. Big, and the writer's The Joker were all in there close. Miss Janet O'Neill's Beachcomber bounded from a scoreless record into the running by win-

ing the jumper stake with the only clean performance, this gave her 11 points.

Rainy days and nights resulted in sloppy, slick going and a few of the horses performed in a very cautious manner to avoid accidents. J. W. Nesbitt, from Montreal judged hunters and jumpers.

SUMMARIES

Hunters in livery—1. Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz; 2. Grey Skies, Mrs. J. J. Kessler; 3. Yellow Sleeves, Blakiston Stables; 4. Bonameo, Ellen Lincoln.

Open jumpers—1. Spanish King, Barbara Worth Stables; 2. Hop-A-Long, Rudy Smithers; 3. The Joker, Pat Malcolm; 4. Odd Job, Barbara Worth Stables.

Lightweight hunters—1. Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz; 2. Gold Lode, Mrs. Keith Spalding; 3. Sky Racket, Barbara Worth Stables; 4. Victory, Mary Rogers.

Knock-down-and-out—1. Lady Patrick, Mrs. J. H. Yant; 2. Lady Bee, Norma Mathews; 3. Little Chores, Norma Mathews; 4. Hop-A-Long, Rudy Smithers.

Middle and heavyweight hunters—1. Bonameo, Ellen Lincoln; 2. Grey Skies, Mrs. J. J. Kessler; 3. Balbriggan, Mrs. J. B. Brown; 4. Gold Sidney, Howard S. Gass.

\$500 hunter championship stake—1. Bonameo, Ellen Lincoln; 2. Yellow Sleeves, Blakiston Stable; 3. Dale Raker, Barbara Worth Stables; 4. Gold Lode, Mrs. Keith Spalding; 5. Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz; 6. Victory, Mary Rogers; 7. Grey Skies, Mrs. J. J. Kessler; 8. Balbriggan, Mrs. J. B. Brown; 9. Pebble Beach, Mrs. Irving Keith; 10. Sky Racket, Barbara Worth Stables.

5'-0" class—1. Say When, Clyde Kennedy; 2. Spanish King, Barbara Worth Stables; 3. The Joker, Pat Malcolm; 4. Oregon Duke, Howard Gass.

Ladies' hunters—1. Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz; 2. Gold Lode, Mrs. Keith Spalding; 3. Bonameo, Ellen Lincoln; 4. Dale Raker, Barbara Worth Stables.

Amateur jumpers—1. Variety, Mrs. E. H. Crabtree; 2. Hop-A-Long, Rudy Smithers; 3. Mr. Big, Mrs. Marjorie Weadock; 4. Oregon Duke, Howard Gass.

\$500 jumper championship stake—1. Beachcomber, Janet O'Neill; 2. Mr. Big, Mrs. Marjorie Weadock; 3. Lady Patrick, Mrs. J. H. Yant; 4. Entry, Clyde Kennedy; 5. Spanish King, Barbara Worth Stables; 6. Balbriggan, Mrs. J. B. Brown; 7. Fightin' 'n Feudin', Blakiston Stables; 8. The Joker, Pat Malcolm; 9. Overdale, Howard S. Gass; 10. Oregon Duke, Howard S. Gass.

Enid McLaglen perpetual memorial trophy—1. Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz; 2. Bonameo, Ellen Lincoln.

Hunter championship—Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz, 20 points. Reserve—Bonameo, Ellen Lincoln.

Jumper championship—Spanish King, Barbara Worth Stables, 14 points. Reserve—Lady Patrick, Mrs. J. H. Yant, 13 points.

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Sun Cracker Wins Adjacent Hunts Trials In Conn.

Shirley W. Burr
"Oh what a beautiful morning, Oh what a beautiful day" as more than 2,000 people gathered atop a hill in North Salem, N. Y. to view the Adjacent Hunter Trials and Point-to-Point on Sunday, Nov. 2nd. Held on the property of R. L. Parish, Carlo Paterno, and Sidney Gilbert, the course couldn't have been better. It was a lovely sight to see horses, and riders in pink and toppers, gallop over the distant, very green hill. Christopher Wadsworth, a well-known hunter-jumper judge, was asked to do the honors at these trials which were conducted by the Professional Horsemen's Association. The adjacent hunts included Goldens Bridge, on whose country it was held, Fairfield-Westchester, Fairfield County, Millbrook, Rombo and Litchfield County, almost all of whom had a hunt team entered. Goldens Bridge won this class hands down with the Fairfield-Westchester team a close 2nd. The winners throughout the other hunter trials were fairly evenly divided as may be seen by the summaries. Hugh Grant Straus, for this writer's money, is to be more than congratulated, riding over this not easy course, atop winners, despite his more than seventy odd years.

The thrilling event of the day was, of course, the owner-ridden point-to-point where both classes were combined. John Melville, riding his and Mrs. Melville's Victoria M., took the lead at the start. The lovely moving Black Jacket mare, moved out with that big easy stride of hers and was not challenged by anyone until the second time around, when Mr. Parish on His Reverence, made a bid. Fred Bontecou's grey, On Leave, battled with the Parish mount for a lead position but tired and fell to 4th position as Mrs. W. Schermerhorn on her Sun Cracker, who had been running a steady 4th and jumping well, pulled out, to overtake both His Reverence and Victoria M. After the last fence, Mrs. Schermerhorn and Mr. Melville went to the bat and really rode for leather down the homestretch. Sun Cracker just outstrided the Melville mare at the finish to win by a half length. Sun Cracker by Color Sergeant by Pennant out of an Olambala mare is a 12-yr.-old. He was purchased some 8 years ago by Mrs. Schermerhorn when she was Miss Anne Elder at Vassar, and was conditioned by her this Fall in the Rombo hunting field. His Reverence, coming in third, was pinned winner of the middle and heavyweights.

It is hoped by members of the Goldens Bridge Hunt to make this point-to-point one of the biggest annual hunter activity events in this part of the country and that many more will have the courage and the confidence to enter next year.

SUMMARIES

Children's working hunters—1. Booby Trap, C. Bernuth; 2. Surplus, Gordon Wright; 3. Gay Hill, R. I. Robinson; 4. Twin Girl, Twin Lakes Stud Farm.

Middle working hunters—1. Granard, R. L. Parish; 2. Booby Trap, C. Bernuth; 3. Big Bulldozer, R. I. Robinson; 4. Gay Hill, R. I. Robinson.

Heavyweight working hunters—1. Humorous, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hale; 2. Swagman, R. I. Robinson; 3. Hi Cotner, H. Grant Straus; 4. Shiner, R. I. Robinson.

Lightweight working hunter—1. Catnip, H. Grant Straus; 2. Twin Girl, Twin Lakes Stud Farm; 3. Entry, Mr. Howland; 4. Robert, Diana Bolling.

Hunt teams—1. Goldens Bridge Hounds; 2. Fairfield & Westchester Hounds; 3. Middlebury Hunt; 4. Entry, H. Grant Straus and J. F. Yarrow.

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Balkonian Champion Hunter At Jerusalem Show and Tournament

M. H. Cadwalader
Although Mrs. William D. Amoss had to sit still and watch, her crutches by her side, instead of handling the reins herself, she had the pleasure of seeing her Balkonian take the hunter championship at the annual Jerusalem Hunt Show on the Amoss farm near Bel Air Md. on the afternoon of October 4.

Some weeks before, Balkonian, in a careless moment, trod upon his mistress' toes, and Ellen Amoss thought little of it at the time having been, as she put it, "stepped on all my life," but Balkonian has a hefty foot and this time two toes were broken and the foot is still in plaster. Young Miss Jerry Kilby the regular on Mrs. Graham Boyce's Honey Bee, took time out after pony classes ended to ride Balkonian to his neatly-earned triumph. Pat Firor on the chestnut Cherry Bounce, took reserve championship with 14 points to Balkonian's 18.

George P. Mahoney and Hugo R. Hoffmann judged this show, which vied for public interest with a tournament held a few hundred yards away, and the crowd was enthusiastic about both events. The tournament was the first held in Harford County since 1941. This old-time Maryland sport saw a sound revival with knights from as far as Laurel, Owings Mills, and Frederick riding for the three rings at the words, "Charge, Sir Knight!" and crowning the traditional queens of love and beauty.

Winner in the amateur group was Jacob Burtner, of far-off Boonesboro, who rode several tilts to down Melvin Bolesey of Fallston and R. C. Mills of Laurel. First, 2nd and 3rd prize winners received handsome trophies; fourth man in got \$5, while 5th and 6th prizes were crowns.

Joseph Brady, Jr., Knight of Solier's Delight, took the professional class, sparring his rings expertly again and again at a full gallop. George Bartram, Knight of Cedar Lane, was 2nd, and Walter Burtner took 3rd prize back to Boonesboro with him. There were several lady competitors, titling themselves "Maid of Maryland," "Maid of Bartram Manor," and so on. Though a decade ago tournaments were held all summer long at practically every local church in rural Maryland, it was a pleasant novelty to see this sport of skill flourishing again after the long lapse.

Back up the hill at the horse show proper, Edward Haeussler's rubber-necked Black Flyer was winning the jumper championship with 10 points to 8 for Skippy Dealman's grey Steelrock. The Flyer got a very creditable win in the modified Olympic, where the ten barriers included barrels, narrow stone wall, railroad gate and—fanciest of all—a bright red picnic table with benches! None of the horses thought much of that picnic table, and a good deal of coaxing was needed to get most of them over it.

Bill Amoss' farm is an ideal setting for a horse show, and his outside course was a good, open one though the hunters plodded rather than flew around it. Everyone was glad to see Ink Spot take the Jerusalem Hunt Club trophy for his master, Edgar Spicer, Master of

hounds for this informal little club ever since its formation about ten years ago. Inky likes fox hunting as well as showing, and Mr. Spicer says the first frosty morning they'll both be out on the nearest line.

SUMMARIES

Pony hacks, under 11.2—1. Napoleon, Kentucky Stable; 2. Fox Trot, Billy Boyce, III; 3. Gypsy Princess, Saddle Acres Pony Farm.

Pony hacks, 11.2 to 13.0—1. Surprise, Billy Hoy; 2. Chickery Chick, Olney Farm; 3. Stardust, Johnny Hoy.

Pony hacks, 13.0 not over 14.2—1. Honey Bee, Mrs. W. G. Boyce; 2. Tranquil Miss, Johnny Hoy; 3. Chit Chat, Nola Rognley.

Pony jumping, under 11.2, jump 2'-0"—1. Fox Trot, Billy Boyce; 2. Napoleon, Kentucky Stable; 3. Gypsy Princess, Saddle Acres Pony Farm.

Pony jumping, 11.2 to 13.0, jump 2'-4"—1. Midnight Miss, Barbara Staley; 2. Chickery Chick, Olney Farm; 3. Smokey, Mrs. Mark Hopkins.

Pony jumping, 13 not over 14.2, jump 3'-0"—1. Princess Pride, Mrs. Mark Hopkins; 2. Chit Chat, Nola Rognley; 3. Duchess, Barbara Jo Shipley.

Lead rein ponies—1. Black Beauty, H. O. Firor; 2. Impudence, Billy Boyce; 3. Gypsy Princess, Saddle Acres Pony Farm.

The Gittings horsemanship award—1. Johnny Hoy; 2. Teddy Le Carpentier; 3. Barbara Staley.

Model hunters—1. Blue Ridge, H. O. Firor; 2. Jitney Jingle, H. O. Firor; 3. Chester, L. H. Burton.

Hunter hacks—1. Balkonian, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Amoss; 2. Cherry Bounce, H. O. Firor; 3. Blue Ridge, H. O. Firor.

Jumpers warm up—1. Steelrock, Skippy Dealman; 2. Reno-Kurd, C. Gartrell; 3. Roxy, W. H. O'Dell.

Green hunters—1. Blue Ridge, H. O. Firor; 2. Playmate, Sally Wyson; 3. Roxy, W. H. O'Dell.

Working hunter—1. Balkonian, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Amoss; 2. Cherry Bounce, H. O. Firor; 3. War Kren, Margaret Noyes.

Knight's jousting tournament, amateurs—1. Jacob Burtner; 2. Melvin Bolesey; 3. R. C. Mills.

Knight's jousting tournament, professionals—1. Joseph Brady, Jr.; 2. George Bartram; 3. Walter Burtner.

Open jumpers—1. Black Flyer, E. A. Haeussler; 2. Union Jack, Briarwood Farms; 3. Flannery, Mrs. Neilson.

Ladies' hunters—1. Cherry Bounce, H. O. Firor; 2. Balkonian, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Amoss; 3. War Kren, Margaret Noyes.

Modified olympic—1. Black Flyer, E. A. Haeussler; 2. Birthday Party, C. L. Creswell; 3. Ink Spot, W. E. Spicer.

Open hunters—1. Balkonian, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Amoss; 2. Cherry Bounce, H. O. Firor; 3. Chester, L. H. Burton.

Jerusalem Hunt Club Trophy—1. Ink Spot, W. E. Spicer; 2. Birthday Party, C. L. Creswell; 3. Balkonian, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Amoss.

Knock-down-and-out—1. War Kren, Margaret Noyes; 2. Steelrock, Skippy Dealman; 3. Union Jack, Briarwood Farms.

Hunter champion—1. Balkonian, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Amoss. Reserve—Cherry Bounce, H. O. Firor.

Jumper champion—1. Black Flyer, E. A. Haeussler. Reserve—Steelrock, Skippy Dealman.

Tom Thumb Tops Sedgefield Field With Anne Hardin

Sue Bolling Randolph
Championship honors went to Miss Anne Hardin, age 11, on Tom Thumb at the amateur horse show for juniors under 19, which was staged Sun., Oct. 25, by the Sedgefield Hunt at Sedgefield, N. C. Reserve honors went to Miss Dorothy Dillard on Pocahontas.

The show was directed by Sidney Allen, and Miss Mary Alice Johnson, popular young riding instructor. Mrs. Wade Stepp of Winston-Salem judged the well balanced program which included classes for babies, beginners, and advanced riders.

A popular winner was Penny Starnes in the pony class.

SUMMARIES
Pony class—1. Penny Starnes; 2. David Connor; 3. Phil Phillips.

Novice, walk and trot (over 11)—1. John Hodgkins; 2. Dudley Williams.

Horsemanship, ponies, 14.2 and under—1. David Connor; 2. Penny Starnes; 3. Phil Phillips.

Children's horsemanship (under 11)—1. Betty Hardin; 2. Betty Bell; 3. Toby Stanley.

Children's horsemanship (over 11)—1. Dotie Williams; 2. Martha Riley; 3. Becky Hurt.

Family class—1. David and Cricket Connor; 2. Phil and Dave Phillips; 3. Sherry, Kay and Ann Kearns.

College horsemanship—1. Rita Hunter; 2. Gary Ellis; 3. Dot Copeland.

Novice walk, trot (under 11)—1. Cricket Connor; 2. Shirley Smith; 3. Toby Stanley.

Lead line (under six)—1. Robert C. Randolph, IV; 2. Jerry Ayers; 3. Dave Phillips.

Junior hunter class—1. Buddy Nance; 2. Phillip Sutton; 3. Helen Dallas.

Championship—Anne Hardin. Reserve—Dottie Dillard.



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Habits of The Grey Fox



Habits of Grey and Red Foxes Compared; Grey Native To the South Is Poor Runner Compared To Wide Ranging Red

Alexander Mackay-Smith

In the last issue we discussed the physical differences between grey and red foxes. In this we take up the differences in their habits.

The grey fox is a creature of the forest. He likes thick cover, like a rabbit, thickets, briar patches and weeds. He is the native fox of the south and detests civilization. The red fox, on the other hand, is a creature of the open fields. He thrives on civilization and spread westward along with the pioneers.

This difference in habitat determines, to a considerable extent, the running habits of the two. The grey is reluctant to leave his beloved briar patches and twists and turns within them to the disgust of those who hunt to ride. The red, however, readily faces the open and furnishes the best of cross country gallops to hounds and followers as well as an opportunity to see hound work—if you can keep up.

Furthermore the red fox has a much stronger scent than the grey. This, plus the fact that he runs straight and in the open, makes him superior to the grey on three counts from a sporting point of view.

There are two other differences between the species when hunted. One is that a grey fox when hard pressed carries his tail over his back, whereas the red lets it droop. The other is that when a grey fox is killed by hounds he utters a squeal like a rabbit. The red, however, takes his medicine without a murmur. The bark of the grey is somewhat higher pitched than that of a red and so is the long howl which both produce on moonlight nights.

Reds and greys both go to ground, but the grey is an expert tree climber as well and can shinny up a smooth trunk about as well as a squirrel. Ordinarily the grey prefers to stay above ground. The vixen whelps in a rock pile or a briar patch. On the other hand the red uses an earth only in the whelping season or when run to ground. The grey, however, uses a den the year round. In winter he lines his nest with leaves and grass and, since it is above ground, keeps dry and warm in it.

Greys have fewer whelps, as a general rule, than reds. The average grey litter is from three to five, the red litter from three to nine. Red cubs are lead colored when born, whereas greys have the same color as whelps that they do as adults.

Reds suffer from mange, grey apparently never do. On the other hand greys have rabbit fever or tularemia from which reds seem to be

immune. The fur farms have found out that reds have sleeping sickness and are particularly vulnerable to distemper. No one seems yet to have taken the trouble to ascertain the susceptibility of greys to these diseases.

Red foxes bury a good deal of their red meat for a week or so before eating it—presumably to get rid of that gamey flavor. Greys prefer it hot and raw, however. Otherwise their diet is much the same and extremely varied—mammals, birds, fish, insects, worms, grubs, fruit and berries or what have you.

Although the grey is harder for hounds to follow than a red, he is more easily trapped. The red has adapted himself better to the wiles of man. As might be expected the red thrives better in captivity and makes a fair pet when young. The grey, however, seems to be untamable.

So much for the differences between the species. In many respects they are similar. Both are strictly monogamous and pair for life. Even in captivity on the fur farms it has not been possible to use a dog fox for stud purposes on a number of vixens. Each vixen insists on her own man. The gestation period is 51 days and is never exceeded by more than 12 hours.

Foxes are not migratory, but frequent the same section throughout their lives. Their normal range is only about five miles in extent. The maximum speed of a fox is from 25 to 30 miles an hour. His favorite food is field mice and hunters learn to imitate the squeak of a field mouse, which they use as a decoy. There are several instances of a fox being closely pressed by hounds which has turned aside to investigate the squeak of a mouse.

As a matter of fact the fox is usually a pretty cool hand when being run by hounds. Many times on a bad scenting day, I have seen a grey lie still in thick weeds while hounds drew all about him to within ten feet. On a similar day a red fox will actually come back to see whether some ingenious double in the trail, of which he is evidently proud, has been as misleading to hounds as it was meant to be.

A fox's brush helps him to maintain his balance. During the rutting season, when fighting other foxes to protect the virtue of their lady loves, dog foxes use it as a foil. In cold weather it is wrapped around the nose and paws while foxes are asleep—the perfect muff.

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Columbia Hunt Club opened its 1947-48 hunting season on Sunday, October 12, with sunshine and blue skies to cheer us after a week of rain. Dr. George C. Saunders entered his first season as M. F. H. of

how a fox gets rid of lice and fleas seems to be literally true. He takes in his mouth bark or a piece of wood and backs slowly into a still piece of water, tail first, submerging himself. The fleas are forced to take refuge on the bark which he then seizes adrift. There are also instances of corn silk and sheep's wool being used for the same purpose.

So much for the natural history of the fox. There still remains the question as to how we can discourage greys and encourage reds. The only sure way yet discovered of getting rid of greys is to get rid of the thick cover which he considers essential to his safety. Briar patches and weedy fields can be mowed, thickets can be made more open by pasturing them with sheep and cattle. Any given section of a hunting country which becomes infested with greys can be cleaned up in this manner.

Red and grey foxes will not live in the same territory for any length of time, much less cross breed as many people contend. If conditions in the way of feed, protection and disease control are favorable to reds, they will tend to drive out the greys. No cure seems yet to have been found for mange in foxes other than the remedies applied to dogs. It is hardly practical to catch and treat many foxes, however. On the other hand when there is an outbreak of distemper among foxes, so that it becomes necessary to restock, the replacements can be inoculated so that they will not catch the disease from the native foxes.

When all is said and done, however, red and grey foxes decrease and increase in cycles arranged by Mother Nature. There are already signs that the influx of greys has passed its peak. Certainly that is the case in my own country where there are only about a third of the grey foxes we had two years ago. The reds have increased in number proportionately. As this was one of the first countries to be troubled with greys, we hope that this reduction in numbers will spread to the more northern countries where they have recently become a nuisance.

Urocyon cinereoargenteus may be all very interesting to scientists. But to present day foxhunters who want a quick gallop he is nothing more or less than a pest, to be exterminated in any way practicable.

Columbia Hounds and an enthusiastic Field of about 18 turned out to wish him well. We met at the kennels and hounds moved off at 9:30. On the staff were Whippers-in Paul K. Preston, Jack C. Hering, Mrs. Zula Curring and Robert Atkinson, Field-Master Bert Harris and The "Fox" Norman MacArthur. Although the season this year has had a late start, the regular exercising and diligent training carried on during the summer has paid off well. Seven couples were used on the opening day, initiating 6 new entries to their first formal hunt. The young ones have had only a few months training but the majority of them show promise of being excellent additions to the pack.

Hounds as a whole worked the scent well and gave us some good sport over familiar haunts on the island such as the Big Meadow, Turtle Lake and the Sand Gate. Going through a narrow trail by the Dry Waterfall hounds got well ahead but Stretch's high soprano kept the "back field" well informed as to location of hounds. Riders and horses seemed in good shape in spite of the previous week of excitement at the Pacific International Horse Show. Among the regulars out were Carter Boggs, Rytta Esh, Major Bill Bryan, Mrs. Bert Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bohmann, Kenny Jordan, Erroll Ostrum, Hugh McGuire and Harold Hirsch. Mr. Hirsch's grey Thoroughbred, Scrap Iron, a winning show ring hunter, was out for his 1st hunt and behaved like a veteran. Nice to have the junior division represented by Joan Fenlason, Sidney Harris and Charlotte Montag and guests for the day included Mr. and Mrs. Harold Collinson of Los Angeles, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Perry of Portland. All in all it was a very satisfying day, rounded out with turkey and noodles in the clubhouse served by "Aunt Nell" Davis, Mrs. C. J. Stocklen, Mrs. Bill Bryan and Sally Sibley.

Hounds are scheduled to go out on the following days this year: Sunday Oct. 26; Nov. 2; Nov. 16; Nov. 30; Dec. 14; Dec. 28. Next year's schedule will be announced later.

—Lucy Ann Ostrum

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The first scheduled meet of the Arapahoe Hunt was called on October 26th when a break in the weather promised favorable hunting conditions. Hounds met informally at 9:30 a. m. with about 20 people in the field. In spite of the storm two days before, the weather was clear and warm again and hounds had rather a spotty morning. Cast through the Pollack, they found and had a good ten minute run taking the line into the Cook Ranch and crossing the big gully before swinging north into the Pollack. Bob Jones became the 1st to sign the Register this year when he and a green one came a cropper over the fence into the Tower. However sorry we are that he had a spill, we're glad to see his name at last on that worthy list.

The following Thursday afternoon was clear overhead but a heavy rain was coming down just south of us leaving the air fresh and damp. We hunted in the South Ranch, delightful country this time of year before winter snows and ice make it almost impassible, and hounds were nearly 2 hours on a strong line, running among the pines and oak and close to the Denver-Colorado Springs highway before they turned east and passed just under Johnson's Castle. Coming back we skirted the Douglas Inverment and the Buffalo pasture, near where hounds were called in.

On Nov. 2nd, thirty three people turned out for the formal opening hunt. It was another nice warm day, but hounds found in the draw behind kennels and were gone away before we had hardly gotten our feet in the stirrups. Coming north out of the draw, hounds took the line along the Tower fence, crossed near the Anticline, and then swung south along the Wildcat road. After crossing the road, they checked but a few minutes, later were going strong straight east and close to Wildcat Mountain, which a coyote never passes without climbing to the top. True to form this one went up the rough slope but continued east on top the flat mesa, where he crossed the fence and the 2nd casualty of the season, a visitor from the east, went over the fence before her horse. Hounds continued straight east, going off the mesa and turning up the draw south, but were called in a few minutes later as the morning was now very warm and scent seemed to have petered out.

In spite of the late beginning of formal hunting, hounds have been exercising at 6:00 a. m. nearly every morning and many have taken advantage of early morning scenting conditions and ridden with them. One of the best of these came after a terrific rain the night before and the sun was still hidden behind a heavy bank of clouds when a handful of us rode out in a nippy, damp wind. It was some time before we found an old line, but the pack (the good little bitches) did some beautiful work, straightened out the line and with a splendid burst of cry took it over the hill. The coyote was not far ahead, and we saw him shining almost pure silver and white in the early morning light, as he paused on a hill to take stock of us. After that we never had a check. Rapid took the lead and sped over the fields with the rest in full cry behind her. Some of the old ladies had to drop back as their legs gave out, but they all came gamely after as they could and we had 35 minutes of the best before George reluctantly called them in.

—H. C. N.

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Potomac Hunt

Rockville, Maryland
Organized 1910
Recognized 1931

Master: (1947) Dr. James N. Greear.
Hounds: American and Cross-bred.
Hunting: Fox.
Colors: Scarlet, blue collar, buff piping.

Saturday, October 25, 1947 was a busy and exciting day for members of the Potomac Hunt. It was the opening afternoon Meet with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond H. Norton as host to subscribers and their guests.

The day was typical of the Indian Summer weather we have been having, wonderful for those who wish to enjoy the great outdoors, but dry, hot and dusty, not a day for the fox. The "old timers", with a squint of an eye, would say, "too hot and dry for hounds to start a fox today".

The Meet was scheduled at one forty-five, but guests were requested to arrive early to enjoy a light lunch and a "stirrup cup".

As the Hunt Staff with fifteen couples of white and red American hounds accompanied by the Master, Dr. James N. Greear arrived, a Hollywood Lot could not have been busier. Men, women and children with all kinds and sizes of cameras came running from all directions. Each, requesting a different shot—Hold them, please—move hounds here—Will you dog trot them along the white fence—hold them there—Will you give us a shot under the old cedar tree, right there—One more time, please, etc. Our hunts-

man, Douglass Burgess and his whippers-in, A. G. Earnest and Mrs. Alice Berry were having a busy time, but I have never seen a pack controlled as well nor staff horses with better manners. The next request was to lift the pack and move close to the luncheon table. This I thought would certainly be the finish of all these delicious looking sandwiches. But not so. The hounds seemed to be only interested in staying close to the newly purchased Thoroughbred stable named, "Potomac" and the huntsman.

Drawing Gordons Woods and working to the low, damp, meadow lands behind the Ross property, Rattler, was the first hound to open, to be honored by Farmer and several of the younger hounds. The Whipper-in riding on the right of the huntsman recognized the note of this wide sweeping, true fox hound and gave the signal to the huntsman who came riding to the line, urging hounds. The line led to the big rock, where I have often seen a fox go to earth, and I was afraid, it was the case this afternoon, but luck was with us, and it was evident from the way hounds were working that "Old Charlie" had just stepped out for his afternoon stroll. Working across the stone pile the entire pack picked up the hot trail and was off, the woods ringing with their tongues—for a second it seemed that the fox would stay in the woods and run the line back of George Plummers barn, but the next second he had made a left turn and was leaving "Gordons Woods" and heading for the open, south of the Plum-

mer's house. He crossed Piney Meeting House road at the corner of the apple orchard and into the open country on the opposite side of the pike. This was the zero hour for the "Hill-Toppers", as Charlie crossed

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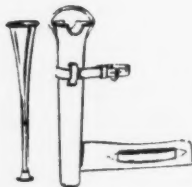
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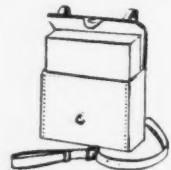
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London Hunt And Country Club

London, Ontario, Canada
Established 1885
Recognized 1885
Master: (1922) Col. Ibbotson Leonard.
Hounds: English.
Hunting: Drag.
Colors: Scarlet, French gray collar.

Dorinda Hall-Holland

Canadian Thanksgiving Day fell on October 13 this year. Early that morning 50 to 60 hunting folk were jolted awake by a violent thunder storm. Groaning for the fate of the Hunt anticipated for that afternoon, presumably they hoisted the covers over their ears, and went back to sleep. An hour or so later they were awakened more pleasantly by sun streaming through the windows. It was clear, cool—perfect hunting weather.

By noon the old London Hunt Club was jammed with riders, friends, relatives and adherents, numbering upwards of 200. With enthusiasm they devoured the traditional Thanksgiving dinner of turkey, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, and pumpkin pie. During the luncheon Col. Ibbotson Leonard, D. S. O., our M. F. H. who this year celebrates his 25th as Master, presented colours to three members who have shown ability and loyalty over the past few seasons: George Bere, Earl Siegrist (who hunts a gaited stallion) and S/Ldr. W. H. Hall-Holland, late of the R. A. F. As well as Mr. Hall-Holland from Taunton, Somerset, we have several other English additions to our Field, amongst them the English war brides, Mrs. Alix Atkinson (formerly a Wolff-Barry of Surrey) and Mrs. Charles Thompson (formerly Miss Susan Briggs of Hertfordshire) with her sister, Miss Sylvia Briggs.

After the luncheon, the Hunt gathered about the kennels to the stirring music of 9 couple of excited hounds. There are several Pynchley-bred hounds crossed on the swifter but less steady American type. There were no side-saddles this year, as the remaining exponents, Mrs. Arthur Brickenden, who was shepherding her grandchildren at each check, and the beautiful Mrs. Claude Morgan who was very ill. The horses arrived by box or hacking in groups of two or three. At 2:30 we moved off, followed by hundreds of spectators in cars and on foot. The sun shone squarely on pink coats, sleek, dancing flanks, against the background of red and yellow leaves. It was a triumph of autumn artistry.

The hounds were cast, gave tongue well, as we cantered off to warm up over a few easy ditches, then some stiff rails, and a long gallop over grassy slopes. By the end of that first long stretch the bucks and kicks and squeals had subsided, and most of the horses settled down and took Smallman's formidable stone wall in their stride. One pretty red head tumbled as her horse took off too soon and fell on the wall. Her brother and sister mounted on handsome big chestnuts hovered solicitously, till she was up again and on after the hounds. With a wary eye for our dreaded ground hog holes, we covered a fast bit and did two or three stout rail chicken coops without mishap. The pullers were beginning to lather by now, both horse and man, and since the pace had been stiff enough most riders slowed up and collected their horses carefully before setting them at the next stone wall, or even at the deceptively smaller rail fence beside it. One breezy looking little Thoroughbred mare flung herself at the wall, head in air, and straddled the jump. The wall, a solid 3'-6" mass of stone and concrete, balanced her momentarily, then she tipped forward onto her knees. However they both seemed none the worse and finished the hunt. As the mare pulled away from the wall, a County Court Judge, who suffered a severe heart attack a few years ago, took a perfect pair jump over the wall with his son, both on 17 hand Half-breds. He pulled up relaxed and smiling to watch his daughter and son-in-law attempt the same stunt. At the last moment they separated and one of them took the small rail! There we checked in an apple orchard. A few dismounted to rest their horses, the majority stayed on to rest themselves. Col. Leonard surrounded by his hounds, called out words of praise to the youngsters, and new followers of which quite a few were

out. They come to his stirrup when he calls them one at a time by name, to collect their dues. The next check was steadier and after crossing the Medway River we all felt cooler. The spectators had gathered at the end of the next check to see a rail in and out across the 6th concession into Thompson's Sunningdale. Several checks later there was a nasty accident as we jumped a big rail chicken coop into the lowering sun. A sensible hunter of 10 seasons' experience made a mistake and took a purlier, landed on his head and flopped over just bare inches from his rider's head. The horse scrambled to his feet and galloped off with blood spurting from a hind coronet. His rider crawled on his hands and knees to one side as the next horse jumped dangerously close to him. When he caught his horse it was still bleeding profusely, so he ripped off his stock and used it for a tight tourniquet about the fetlock—then walked slowly home.

Through the village of Arva, through another woods, then we wound slowly downhill to gather up speed again for the water jump and big board coops at the Brickendens' farm. There we checked for a round of apples, where it used to be fresh cider before the war. The final check took us through Miss Helen Gibbons' property, where there is a lovely flat stretch for the gallop to the kill.

Then home into the sunset, rode the tired and happy members of the London Hunt Club.

for three-quarters of an hour, but finally it got hot and dry, hounds lost, and we finished up near Riverdale Farms, where we stabled our mounts, and went in to partake of some old fashioned spoon bread with bacon, eggs and hot coffee. Beatrice Wood, the cook at Riverdale had heard the hounds and figured the riders would all be hungry when the chase ended. An exciting event was the riderless horse that jumped the paddock fence at Laurel Ridge Farm to follow the hunt for miles.

Saturday, Oct. 18th, found the Farmington riders all gathered at J. R. Wingfield's. There were present Truman Dodson, Grover Vandevender, Elsie Oakley, Grace Gardener, (Mrs. Gibson Gardener) our most able secretary of the Farmington Horse Show. It was her first hunt this season due to having overworked on the Horse Show. Gene Winslow, Jerry Ashburn, Bunky Jane and Mary Dodson, and last but not least, Ev Galban (Mrs. Jay Galban), who seems to have an uncanny affinity for the fox, as Ev can always direct the riders to wherever the fox is going to be seen crossing the field or running up the fence line or simply bounding along in the woods. Ev's presence at the hunt proved my statement to be true as 3 different foxes were viewed by the Field and it was one of the most exciting hunts of the year.

The hounds were cast back of Wingfield's house, and headed for Cox's mountain. After 30 minutes, the hounds picked up a trail, trailed

Elkridge-Harford Hunt Club

Taylor (P. O. Monkton) Md.
Established 1934
Recognized 1934

Master: (1939) Edward S. Voss.
Hounds: Cross-bred.
Hunting: Fox.
Colors: Scarlet, white collar.

M. H. Cadwalader

Nov. 8, was a dreary morning of rain and gusts but by two o'clock the skies had cleared and a small Field met at Atlanta Hall Farm, home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Voss, to celebrate the Elkridge Harford's first "formal" meet for the 1947-48 season. Huntsman Dallas Leith didn't wait long on that blowy hilltop but promptly put the pack into the familiar Verdant Valley swamp. "Old reliable," however, was empty this time, and the Field ambled over to the sixty-acres, thence across Lurman Stewart's hillside, while almost as big a "Field" followed in cars.

Down near the Iron Bridge hounds found scent, worked a line across the northeast corner of Mrs. Drennan's, and then burned away at full speed in a wide loop that wound up back at the sixty-acre woods again, where Mr. Fox holed himself up.

Crossing the road, Leith led the pack toward the Ben Griswold's Fancy Hill Farm where another fox obligingly turned up. This one looped back and forth a few times but he too had a hideout nearby in the corner of a field. It made a nice afternoon, and Mr. Voss, the Master, though unable to officiate thanks to a broken shoulder sustained in a freak fall while hacking a couple of weeks ago, was able to announce the hunt record so far with pride: cubbing began August 24, hounds went out three weekly only missing one day, and—not a single hunt drew a total blank.

This chronicler having had a refusal, oh woe, and missing a large slice of the run, nevertheless got some vivid flashes of the opening-day fun: Mrs. Griswold, side-saddle, positively thundering toward a panel on her chestnut horse; Mr. Schiff's mount pawing up regular fountains of water in every stream; little Barbara Staley on her good pony Midnight Miss almost being washed away in those same streams—we expected any minute to see her derby floating gently down on the tide; Mr. and Mrs. Ledyard away up front and daughter close behind on a placid gray pony; Mrs. Bobby Riggs out, for almost the first time this year but planning not to miss any more hunts now that farming's quiescent; De Courcy Wright bundled up in a "deep-winter" jacket; and Mrs. David G. McIntosh III, also out for her first run of the season.

Instead of the usual tea, there was a dinner-dance given at the club Saturday night, which served also as a send-off for the hunter trials held the following day.

back to kennels.

Thursday, Oct. 23rd Hunt. Hounds met at Bromley, home of Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Watts. There were present Truman Dodson, Grover Vandevender, Richard F. Meyer, Joint Master of Rombout Hunt at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Willard Ashburn, honorary whip, Elsie Oakley, Grace Gardener, Hannah Catlin, Isabel Nunnally, Gene Winslow, Ellwood Keith of Keithwood Stables, one of the most outstanding horsewoman of Virginia, Doug MacGregor, on one of his famous horses, and Lydia Henderson, new junior member of Farmington.

Hounds were cast in the woods back of Dr. Watts and a large red was jumped on D. S. Mountain, which ran through White's, Slaughters, Durrets, Stonefield Farm, where a fox was viewed by the Huntsman, and then on through Dr. Watts again, where it was lost in the midst of a herd of cattle. Then the hounds were turned back near Farmington Country Club, where they jumped a grey. At the beginning of the second chase, the Master's horse stepped in a deep hole and went down, but proved himself a perfect hunter by standing over the Master without harming him. The Field followed the hounds on through Farmington, by Page Jennings, Andrew Cushmans, back up Ivy Creek, through Norris Watsons. The fox went to earth at Stonefield Farm on Ivy Creek.

OAKBROOK'S OPENING MEET



Opening the Oakbrook season with the blessing of the hounds by Father Pector of Hinsdale, Illinois. Joint-Masters Ted Mohlman and Paul Butler are here seen with the Father at the first official fixture, October 18th. John Metcalfe Photo.

Farmington Hunt Club

Charlottesville, Va.
Established 1929
Recognized 1932
Master: (1946) Truman M. Dodson IV.
Hounds: American fox and drag hounds.
Hunting: Fox and drag.
Colors: Scarlet, Belgian-blue collar.

Isabel A. Nunnally

The Farmington Hunt met at the home of the Master, Truman Dodson, on October 14th. Present were the Master, Grover Vandevender, huntsman, George S. Palmer II, honorary whip, Jerry Ashburn, Elsie Oakley, Hannah Catlin, Gene Winslow (Mrs. Graven Winslow) who formerly hunted with Fairfield and Westchester Hounds. She has recently purchased the Johnson Farm on the Old Ivy Road. Major Larrimore, Henry Javor and Isabel Nunnally completed the field.

After a nice hot drink of whiskey or coffee, the guests all hurried to mount and followed the Master out of his main entrance to the right of the road where the hounds were cast between Meechums River and the Master's entrance. The hounds picked up a trail, trailed for a long while, finally started a fox on the banks of the river, and headed north. Then a swift chase across Meechums River and through Laurel Ridge Farm, the ridge road to Moormans River, down the river to Free Union Bridge. Finally the fox went to earth on Mrs. James Sexton's farm. Heading home, hounds started a grey, which gave us a swift chase

up Ivy Creek, through Wingfield's, and bounced a large red on the north side of the Barracks that ran in circles for three-quarters of an hour, up and down Ivy Creek. During that time, 3 reds were viewed by the whole Field, one finally going to earth on John Lamb's farm. Then the pack was lifted and thrown in with one lone hound running a fox by himself. With the aid of the rest of the pack, it wasn't long until they put the second fox to earth at Wingfield's. Then, with tired horses and weary hounds, the riders turned toward home, figuring the 3rd fox would be too much for one day.

Tuesday, Oct. 21st Hunt. Met at the Kennels with Truman Dodson, Grover Vandevender, Elsie Oakley, Major Larrimore, Hannah Catlin, Gene Winslow, Isabel Nunnally, Grace Gardener, Graham Tull, Henry Javor, Charlotte Cooper (Mrs. Lester Cooper) and Anne Marie O'Hagan. It was Charlotte's and Anne Marie's first hunt and their enthusiasm inspired the whole Field.

Cast back of kennels, hunted through Catlins, Gardeners, Motts, on by Truman's lake to Meechums River, when hounds jumped a large red fox, that took us on a swift chase, down the river, for two miles, through Douglasses, to Hugh Garth's. Two of the riders had spills but no one hurt. The hunt ended quickly when it became hot and dry and hounds ran down to a cold trail when the pack was lifted and taken

Highlights of Pimlico, Laurel and Empire City At Jamaica



King Ranch's BRIDAL FLOWER chalked up her 4th victory of the season at Empire City at Jamaica on Nov. 8. The 4-year-old filly by *CHALLENGER II-BIG HURRY, splashed through the mud to open a gap of 1 length ahead of O. E. Breault's WITH PLEASURE. N. Y. Racing Assn. Photo.



SUN BATH with Emmett Roberts up taking the water jump at Laurel in the \$15,000 added Chevy 'Chase 'Cap, Wednesday, October 29. R. W. Grant's 5-year-old brown gelded son of *EASTON-SUN FRITTERS won easily over a field of 7 to take down a purse of \$12,475. Laurel Photo



R. W. Grant receiving the trophy from Riggan McKinney with Emmett Roberts who trained and rode the winner. Laurel Photo



At Pimlico on Nov. 3, Mill River Stable's *MISS GRILLO liked the sloppy going and at the finish of the 34th running of the Gov. Bowie 'Cap, she was 6 lengths on top. Back in the winner's circle on closing day at Pimlico, *MISS GRILLO, again with Jockey Con McCreary up, won the 2½-mile Pimlico Cup. Pimlico Photo



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The sale—or sales, as may be preferred—were due to open on Monday, November 17, and to close on Friday, November 21 with the offerings passing under the hammer variously during morning, afternoon and evening sessions. The total number of animals catalogued runs to the prodigious figure of 823—that is to say, well toward 1,000 of all classes, stallions, brood mares, youngsters, etc., etc., are expected to find new owners during the five days above specified.

That is a tremendous quota to be thrown upon the market within a single week—and it will be interesting to observe how it reacts to the test.

Perhaps it will assist the reader to form some idea of its magnitude when it is stated that the catalogue, issued in two thick volumes, comprises around 1,000 closely-printed pages and the cost to mail them runs over one dollar per pair. They are, moreover, elegantly printed upon fine paper and encyclopedic in their detail descriptive of the animals catalogued.

When one contemplates them, one cannot but wonder where the so-called "paper shortage" comes in that is the stock-in-trade alibi nowadays for every publisher upon almost every occasion when he requires one.

For, remember, these are purely ephemeral publications, which, with

the exception of a very few copies preserved for reference purposes, are mere waste-paper once the sales are over.

In times past, as we well recall, such catalogues would have been gotten out in the most economical way possible. They would have been printed upon a very cheap grade of paper of the sort commonly referred to as "tea-paper" from the fact that it was very much like that which your grocer used. "In them days", to do up the moiety of tea that one bought over his counter after it had been scooped out of one of the big canisters that stood behind it upon the shelves; the printing would have resembled that of a hand-bill run off in a few moments by a job press; and the cover would have corresponded in its quality and appearance. The whole thing would have weighed a fraction of the weight of the two portly volumes before us and the cost to mail it would have been but a few cents.

Such is the difference 'twixt then and now. Yet in those same comparatively crude, unpretentious and inexpensive catalogues were listed many animals now historic "whose names will never die".

They brought, of course, only fractions of what those which are being sold this week are expected to bring. For racing had not then become "big business" but was just a sport, pursued largely for its own sake and the sake of "the breed of horses"—strange as that may seem today, when race horses have sunk, for the most part, to the mere estate of numbers upon tickets bought at grated windows, and the element of sport concerned in their activities has been reduced to what would appear an almost irreducible minimum, having been replaced by the "big

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Letter From New York

Jamaica and Empire Re-arrange Dates; Death Of Jockey McGovern Illustrates Need For Fund For Injured Or Disabled Jockeys and Families

Bob Kelley

With the frost barely beginning to lay a slim coating over the surfaces of the tracks of Long Island, New York's racing is already making plans for the year 1948. There will be some changes in this new season, changes mostly brought about by the decision to re-arrange the dates so that Jamaica (Metropolitan Jockey Club) will run both its meetings in one long session in the Spring and Jamaica (Empire City Racing Association) will take up residence for a long Autumn meeting.

Stake Changes

There will have to be of course, some changes in the stakes. At Jamaica, for instance, it seems hardly likely horses will be ready in the Spring for any such races as The Roamer, which is for 3-year-olds and at a distance of 1 3-13 miles, or for the Gallant Fox, which is for 3-and-up and is at a mile and five furlongs. It seems likely these will be abandoned, or, if the names are held, the conditions changed to meet the season of the year when they will be run. The Roamer was run this year on October 18 and the Gallant Fox on October 25. The former was worth \$25,000 and the latter \$75,000.

Where Empire is concerned, there is no such problem, of course, with distance races, for Empire never, in recent years, started before the end of June and it was possible to run then. However, the opposite may be true now and such ones as The Demoiselle, a 6 furlong dash for 2-year-old fillies run this year on July Fourth, and The Wakefield, another at 6 furlongs for 2-year-olds, run this year June 25, may have to be adjusted.

The exceedingly capable John B. Campbell, when the change in the season was being discussed, felt he

could map out a stake list under the new arrangement which would incorporate the same type of racing at the same gross values. He has been given the authority to do just this, and is planning to get it into shape, confirmed and publicized as early as possible.

Same Values

The one thing which the New York authorities wanted to make certain at the time of the announcement of the dates was that the values would be the same, the number and the order of running as to types of races—nearly the same as this season, regardless of where they might be run. It was felt this was of the utmost importance to the horsemen in making their long range plans.

So, though there may be some races run under different names or, if with the same names, under different association auspices, New York will have the same sort of racing this coming year as that of 1947, and that means some very fine racing indeed.

Assault Not Retired

It even appears highly likely the same cast of characters will perform again. It now is apparently certain, barring the usual bad breaks of racing, that King Ranch's Assault will be back to the races for one last season, instead of retiring to the stud as had been planned for this year. With his splint fired and the horse showing very evident signs of relief, Assault has gone to Columbia for the winter and Max Hirsch plans to have him back again this coming year.

Stymie And Phalanx

Hirsch Jacobs is also planning to bring Stymie back, despite the latter's evident lack of relish for it to—

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TEN LEADING AMERICAN STAKES WINNERS

(Through November 15)

10 LEADING SIRES OF STAKES WINNERS

	Races Won	1st Monies Won
BULL LEA	25	\$891,046
(Armed 9, Faultless 5, Bewitch 6, Citation 3, Twosy, Ann's Lee)		
*BLENHEIM II	17	423,785
(Owner's Choice 3, Fervent 4, Jet Pilot 2, Prognosis 2, What's New 2, Adaptable 2, Tailspin, Free America)		
BLUE LARKSPUR	16	344,175
(Elpis 6, But Why Not 6, Larky Day 2, Blue Grass, Say Blue)		
*ALIBHAI	11	331,225
(Cover Up 4, On Trust 3, Artillery 2, Zenoda, Wheatfield)		
EQUESTRIAN	7	260,300
(Stymie 7)		
PILATE	8	234,608
(Phalanx 5, Royal Governor, Christmastide, Miss Doreen)		
RIMELECH	8	205,750
(Burning Dream 2, Better Self 2, Be Faithful 2, Blue Border, Byemond)		
*MAHMOUD	9	203,625
(Snow Goose 2, First Flight, Keynote Mackinaw, Mighty Story, Moonsoon, Vulcan's Forge, Grey Flight)		
BOLD VENTURE	5	171,925
(Assault 5)		
HE DID	10	164,175
(With Pleasure 6, Dark Jungle 2, George Gains 2)		

10 LEADING BREEDERS OF STAKES WINNERS

	Races Won
Calumet Farm	37
Elmendorf Farm	20
Idle Hour Stock Farm	20
Mrs. J. Hertz	19
L. B. Mayer	17
Greentree Stud	12
Walter Jeffords	11
A. B. Hancock	8
C. V. Whitney	8
Max Hirsch	7

10 LEADING OWNERS OF STAKES WINNERS

	Races Won
Calumet Farm	35
W. Helis	23
King Ranch	19
C. V. Whitney	11
Walter Jeffords	9
Greentree Stable	8
Brookmeade Stable	8
Elmendorf Farm	7
Mrs. E. Jacobs	7
Dixiana Stable	7

10 LEADING TRAINERS OF STAKES WINNERS

	Races Won
H. A. Jones	30
M. Hirsch	17
W. Booth	15
H. A. Luro	13
M. H. Dixon	10
S. E. Veitch	10
J. M. Gaver	9
G. P. Odom	9
O. White	9
W. Molter	9

Breeders' Notes

A. A. Baldwin

FIRST OF ALL

Bull Lea, first in about everything else, might just as well be the first item in this column. He now has more winners of \$100,000 than any other sire ever had. The seven are: Armed, Twilight Tear, Good Blood, Bewitch, Faultless, Citation and Twosy. One of the reasons we suspect he has been such a success is that he is a combination of the excellent and quick *Bull Dog and the staying bottom lines of Hermit, Lowland Chief, Doncaster, Carbine and Sterling. Hermit appears once each through Ballot and *Colonial, sire and dam of Rose Leaves, dam of Ruddy, Espino, Bois de Rose and Nectarine as well as Bull Lea. As Bull Lea is only 12 years old, he has a good chance of begetting many more "hundred granders."

NO DERBY

The top English jockey for many years, Gordon Richards, has broken his own record for winning mounts in a season by riding his 260th winner. Another record he has, not published in the books, is that he has had 3,472 winning mounts and never a "Darby" winner. He eclipses everything both ways.

PROLIFIC ST. SIMON

One of the most prolific stallions was St. Simon who in his lifetime had more than 500 sons and daughters. In 1896 he was bred to 44 mares, getting 40 of them in foal. From this crop came all the classic winners of 1900.

MONEY TALKS

Mrs. R. W. Mitchell of near Berryville, Va., owner of the stallion Cloth o'Gold, has leased the 6-year-old filly, Money Talks by Runantel!—Golden Maid, from Capt. Ewart Johnston. "Captain Jack" has long been a devotee of timber toppers, developing such good ones as Sea Soldier and Seafarin' Dan. Of later years he has become more interested in flat racing than the jumping game, but watch out for him next Spring. He has a fine young prospect in a young Rathbeale gelding which he likes so much he swears he'll never sell!

MR. HORKHEIMER'S PURCHASE

The Rhymer, winner of the Widener, Edgemere handicaps and other races, also sire of the world's record holder (3 furlongs in :32), King Rhymer, has been purchased by H. S. Horkheimer from Samuel Pistorio. This was a stay-in-Maryland transaction. The Rhymer was bred by Greentree Farm in 1938 and is by *St. Germans out of Rhythmic by *Royal Minstrel. He is a half-brother to Sweep Swinger, we believe. Mrs. Danny Shea will act as agent for Mr. Horkheimer, who will stand the horse at Pompoon's old birthplace, Three Cousins Farm.

BEAU GESTE

At the Haggin dispersal sale in 1914 an exceptional event occurred. Charles H. Berryman bid for and got the stallion, Ballot, for \$15,000. The executors of the Haggin estate complained that the horse should have brought a higher price, so Mr. Berryman very magnanimously annulled the sale and bought him privately.

TAIL SPIN SALE

Some of those in search of horses go to the Argentine, others to France, but Marylanders have found that Greentree Farm is the place to get what you want. A syndicate, headed by Janon Fisher, Jr., has bought the 3-year-old, Tail Spin, from them. Tail Spin is a bay colt by *Blenheim II—Tangled by Sweeping Light—Elf Lock by *Chicle and was a runner commensurate with his excellent pedigree.

He won the Peter Pan Handicap from Brabancon, Phalanx, Young Peter, Cornish Knight and others and placed in other stakes like the Belmont. Tangled, it will be remembered was a high class 2 and 3-year-old, winning the Astoria Stakes and Adirondack Handicap at 2; and at 3 gathering in the Delaware Oaks, Gazelle Stakes and Diamond State Stakes. It is planned that Tail Spin will stand at Major Goss L. Stryker's Springfield Farm near Timonium. The only bad thing we can think of about the colt is that it may be quite difficult to name his foals from Equipoise mares.

*ROCK SAND INFLUENCE

*Rock Sand stood in the U. S. only six years but his name appears in pedigrees as often as the copious *Star Shoot who was one year bred to about 60 mares. *Rock Sand was imported by August Belmont and had the ill-fortune to arrive just before the so-called Hughes ban on racing at which time he was sold to France and his best son, Tracery, was shipped to England. He was held in low esteem in this country until Pilate got Eight Thirty, but elsewhere, as in England, Australia and South America, his sons were keenly sought after and he established leading sire lines in those countries, all through his son Tracery.

DOUBLE HEADER

There is a possibility that our Jockey Club chairman, William Woodward will be a double Derby winning owner next year. His Rhodes Scholar colt, Black Tarquin, whose dam is a *Sir Gallahad III on Man o'War, is a near favorite in current quotations for the English classic; and he has two Kentucky Derby prospects in the bay Gangway by Gallant Fox out of Humility by *Hyperion, and Whirling Fox, who is by Whirlaway out of Gallant Fox's sister, Marguery. A fair parlay for '48.

PILATE'S STAKES WINNERS

After mentioning Pilate in a preceding paragraph we looked up his stake winners, finding: Eight Thirty, Pirate, Ponty, Monida, Amber Light, Le Havre, Platter, British Buddy, Service Pilot, Phalanx, Royal Governor, Prefect and Stitch Again.

COW AND COLT

Down at Gulfstream Park in Florida there is a Jersey cow and Thoroughbred sharing the same stall. The colt's mother died when he was born and the only foster mother to be found was the nice old cow. She and the colt got along famously well, a little too much so, for when he was shipped to the track for preliminary education, both kicked up such a rumpus, that Mrs. Jersey had to be sent for to live with her adopted son. We trust the stewards will be lenient and grant permission for the cow to act as lead pony during the post parade for the colt's first few starts.

JOCKEY WALKER MENDS

The many friends of George Walker, one of the top steeplechase jockeys, will be happy to hear that he is around again after that bad fall in 1945. He visited Pimlico the other day. After so many months of patient waiting for a broken back to heal, he commented, "I had a swell time."

HORSE FOR A BED

If you are having difficulties in finding room reservations in Florida this winter, here is a solution perhaps. On the bulletin board in the

secretary's office at Hialeah Park is the following notice from a landlord: "Will consider taking horse in trade for room". If the idea appeals to you, we suggest you hurry.

LUCKY DRAW COMES BACK

Lucky Draw, the 6-year-old gelding by Jack High and Tatanne by St. James, is down in Florida being readied for a second come-back in the silks of his owner George D. Widener. This winner of several straight stakes, six in record time, last year is being pointed for the Widener Handicap wherein he may tangle with Armed. He will be conceding "the champ" one year, but that's all.

PIMLICO KING

As this is written, before the end of the Pimlico meeting, we expect that the King of the Jump Trainers,

Jack Skinner, has finally been dethroned. G. H. "Pete" Bostwick is leading with three winners, one in the Manly Memorial, with two days to go.

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Mostly Opinions

Some Remarks By A Noted Racing and Breeding Authority On the Comparative Value of Purse Today; The Special and The Jersey Act

Colonel John F. Wall

Editor's Note: The Chronicle is greatly indebted to Colonel Wall, whose books on breeding form such an interesting chapter in our racing history for the following comments on the racing picture today.

No worth while purpose is served in speculating on the abilities of a race horse of today and one who raced years ago. But at the same time, there can be little question but that economic conditions of different eras should be weighed in comparing the money won by leading horses. The leading money winning horses in all years were great animals. The year 1947 is exceptional in that there are several horses near the top of the list for largest amount of money won. These horses trade around among themselves from week to week, first one, then another, holding the top position. Which will end the season in first place remains speculative.

The urge to lead in money won has been the outstanding motive in the larger events of 1947. The contest between Armed, Assault and Stryke has held the interest of the public. Each of these horses have won amounts greater than the amount won by Whirlaway a few seasons ago, and whose position, as money leader, was believed to be secure at that time for many years.

It is not intended to detract from the abilities of Stryke, Assault, and Armed—or of Gallorette, the great mare of 1947, in calling attention to records made by Colin, Exterminator, Man o'War, Equipoise and the mares, Imp, Pan Zareta or Princess Doreen. While the expense of racing is many times what it was twenty years ago, this fact has little to do with this consideration, except to show a reason for the increased value of purses to meet the altered value of the dollar. The increased amount of purses accounts for the bounding acceleration in amount of money won. Too, larger crowds attend races today.

Considering the racing histories of Gallant Fox and Assault alone, will disclose interesting parallels. In 1930, Gallant Fox was the unquestioned leading money winning 3-year-old, winning just above \$300,000 in 10 starts, finishing first in all but one start in which he came in second! In 1946, Assault started 15 times, winning 8, second twice; 3rd three times being unplaced just twice and given credit for a little less than \$425,000. The 3-year-old races in which these horses ran were not strikingly dissimilar. Had the purses for the races won by these two horses been the same, Gallant Fox would have won more money at 3-years than the money won by Assault! Gallant Fox was paid \$51,600 in 1930 for winning the Preakness while Assault earned \$96,000 in the same race in 1946! But consider the meager purses given Pan Zareta in 1912 compared to those of fifteen years ago when Gallant Fox was racing!

The Jersey Act Is Detrimental To the British

The Gimcrack Club has had traditionally as its guest, the owner of the winner of the Gimcrack Stakes, who is expected to speak on turf affairs. Mr. William Woodward, the Chairman of the American Jockey Club, is the owner of Black Tarquin, who won the race this year. He has been prominent as the owner of American-breds who have been successful in other of England's best races. If he accepts the invitation to speak at this dinner in York in December he will be afforded an opportunity to say something directly perhaps to those responsible for the continuation of the exclusion imposed on American horses by The Jersey Act. He has sufficient favorable testimony to present in behalf of the American Thoroughbred.

Mr. Woodward is reported to have said that the abrogation of the "Jersey Act" is a subject near his heart. This is an opportunity that Mr. Woodward may embrace to speak his piece where it should count most.

Among those who will be there, most probably, is the arch foe of American-breds, Lord Roseberry, who seems to have inherited the mantle of prejudice for American horses.

For many reasons Mr. Woodward is the one man that can best present the cause for the Americans. In addition to the success with which the Woodward horses have enjoyed in England, the recent records of several French horses in England, some classed as half-breds in England and containing old American blood, furnish Mr. Woodward with ample ammunition to prove the case for the American horse.

Sayajirao, by Nearco, the 1947 winner of the St. Leger, can be included to reinforce this discussion as well. Sayajirao cost \$117,000, the world's record price, as a yearling. He is a full brother to Dante, winner of the 1945 Epsom Derby, too. The American-horse blood in Nearco is common knowledge. These two brothers, by Nearco, are from Rosy Legend (bred in France) by Dark Legend.

There is almost a limitless number of horses with American blood that have been prominent in English races within the past season or so. Migoli by Bois Roussel, is from a half-sister to Imp. Mahmoud. He ran second to Pearl Diver (by Vatelior by Vatout) in the English Derby and was third in the 1947 St. Leger. The informed know of the American connection in Imp. Mahmoud's ancestry.

It may be of interest to tell that Nereida, dam of Imp. Nordlicht (now in the Remount Service) was by Laland, out of Nella da Gubbio by Grand Parade (by Orby), she out of Nera di Bieci by Tracery. This last named mare is a half-sister to Nogara, dam of Nearco.

Perhaps we should discontinue the practice of scolding the British for maintaining the provisions of the Jersey Act. We can go to England to secure horse-blood in case we have the price—and there is a desired horse available. The British deny themselves the opportunity to come over here for the same purpose. If we breed—and race at increasingly greater distances, American-breds will have to be reckoned with in international races. Our horses have always acquitted themselves with credit. Our Thoroughbred is the equal of that one produced anywhere.

The 1947 Match Race—Armed Against Assault

The Armed-Assault match race of September 27th will be remembered as a great race. It may serve to show the gamble involved in an attempt to have two horses at the top of their form at the same time. In saying this, it is not meant to detract from the great gelding, Armed. In the middle or early season, Assault was in good form; Armed was at the top of his form just preceding and, apparently for the match. Armed won easily. He proved he could sprint the entire distance of 1 1/4 miles. The time was creditable.

The fine sportsmanship of those connected with this race was most commendable. Mr. Hirsch and Mr. Kleberg, trainer and owner, respectively of Assault, knew better than any one else that their horse was not at his best. This information must have been passed on to the track authorities for wagering there on the match was not permitted. Both horses, no doubt, were required to do their best in a contest that resembled an exhibition.

Prior to the race the owners had agreed that the purse would be donated to charity by the winner.

While there have been matches worth-while in late years, e. g., Seabiscuit's and War Admiral's race, it does appear that there cannot be matches to compare with that one of the long ago between Wagner and Grey Eagle for \$14,000, winner take all! Wagner was led from Tennessee for the meeting at Louisville!



Standing At

NORTH WALES STUD

Season of 1948

BY JIMMINY - - - - - \$1,000—Return

Br. 1941, by *Pharamond II—Buginarug, by Blue Larkspur.

FIRST FIDDLE - - - - - \$1,000—Return

Gr. 1939, by *Royal Minstrel—Rueful, by *St. Germans.

PILATE - - - - - \$1,000—No Return

Ch. 1928, by Friar Rock—*Herodias, by The Tetrarch.

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*PIPING ROCK - - - - - \$1,000—Return

B. 1937, by Fairway—Eclair, by Ethnarch.

*CHRYSLER II - - - - - \$500—Return

Br. 1931, by *Teddy—Quick Change, by Hurry On.

POT O' LUCK - - - - - \$500—Live Foal

B. 1942, by Chance Play—Potheen, by Wildair.

RAMILLIES - - - - - \$350—Return

B. 1939, by *Blenheim II—Risky, by Diadumenos.

SELALBEDA - - - - - \$250—Return

B. 1938, by Mokatom—Acacia, by *Archale.

(Property of Paragon Stable.)

BALMY SPRING - - - - - \$200—Live Foal

Br. 1936, by Black Toney—Blossom Time, by *North Star III.

(Property of Cold Spring Farm.)

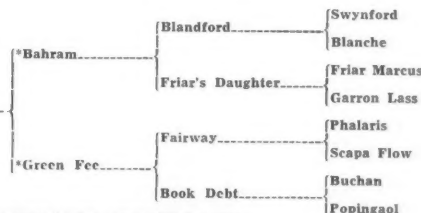
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The rains finally came for the first time this Fall. Despite this, the Middleburg Hunt Race Association ran off seven good races for 1200 damp but enthusiastic hunt race diehards. Huddled together under the trees and in the paddock they stood dressed in just about every conceivable type of attire. The entries were excellent due to the untiring efforts of the committee headed by Daniel C. Sands, and the many scratches failed to keep each race from being a keen contest.

The Oakham, about a mile and a half over hurdles, started the program, and saw 7 out of 15 original entries in the paddock. Mrs. Richard DuPont and Mrs. George Weymouth's Bohemia Stable was represented by their good hurdler, Snow King II and he along with G. H. Bostwick's Uncle Sam drew most of the pre-race support in this one. I. Bieher's My Good Man, C. Mahlon Kline's Valiant, Allen M. Hirsch's Dinwiddie and Ratcheter, and Mrs. Johnston Hyde's Pretender made up the rest of this field. Starter Robert Young got the field off together with H. Harris on Uncle Sam getting the jump on the others and taking the lead at the start. Snow King II was next followed by Dinwiddie and this is the way they were as they came by the stands the first time. Going to the next hurdle M. Fife moved Snow King II into a length lead, Uncle Sam and My Good Man followed in that order. From here on Snow King II could make no mistakes and the others just weren't good enough to catch him. He won by about 4 lengths with My Good Man 2nd and Valiant a fast closing 3rd. Uncle Sam was a tired 4th. The Bohemia Stable's pleased owners were both there on Saturday after a long drive from Wilmington and braved the rain to accept the trophy. In spite of the rain the going did not appear to be too heavy on this rolling course.

Only 3 out of 10 accepted the next issue which was the 2-mile hurdle race under the heading of The Sunnybank. These were Mrs. Ogden Phipps' Look Around, a consistent winner at the big tracks and class enough to scare a lot of horses out. C. Mahlon Kline's Far Hills winner, Half Hour, a beautifully bred son of Eight-Thirty, and Miss Cordella M. Scaife's two-time winner at the hunt meets, Golden Risk. It didn't take long for Jack Cooper and Gil Haus to get these 3 checked, saddled and out to the starters, and Jack Bosley took Golden Risk immediately to the front. By the time they got to the grandstand he had a 10-length lead with T. Field and Look Around 2nd, closely followed by Half Hour. They finished this same way with Look Around trying hard in the mud under his 165 lbs. just managing to best Half Hour by a nose. Golden Risk showed the benefits of Trainer Sid Watters' hard work, jumped beautifully and Jack Bosley rode well to make up this winning combination.

It was now time to try out the brush course and The Dresden at 2 miles brought out 7 starters. F. Ambrose Clark's Scuttleman took over at the start of this race but soon after that ran out, and then E. Roberts with Mrs. M. E. Whitney's Stunt Man was in front. He was closely followed by Allison Stern's Tourist Index and Montpelier's Compass Rose. Mrs. S. E. Clark's well thought of Bill Coffman had refused to break and New Puzzle had also run out so Anchor's Down, owned by Irvin Beavers was the fourth horse. This order kept up until they rounded the last turn for home where Compass Rose caught the big jumping Stunt Man and moved away to win by a length. Tourist Index hung at the end and was 3rd a length back of Stunt Man, whose tremendously high performances over his fences must take more out of him than is necessary as he is apt to fade badly at the end of his races.

Everyone wanted to see how Tino Wave would jump the big fences here, before deciding whether he

was a Maryland Hunt Cup horse or not. The Gerald B. Webb, Jr. Memorial at 3 1-2 miles certainly decided this question. Only one horse was scratched and this left 5 to parade to the post. Besides Tino Wave with Mr. J. C. Arthur aboard as usual, there was W. Earle Stephens' Gold Bud with Mr. G. Stephens riding, Mr. E. Bennett on Lloyd E. Hershey's Original Sin, Dan Brewster's Clifton's Dan with Mr. Walter Brewster up and Bliss Placuss' Big Mike with Mr. M. Smithwick in the irons. Tino Wave and Big Mike went flying to the front at the start and were still at it head and head as they came by the stands. Original Sin fell at the second fence and the other two were 20 lengths back. Down the hill the two leaders were still flying and it looked as if Big Mike was going a little too fast for himself as they got to the big fence at the bottom and so it must have been for down he went. This left Tino Wave all by himself and when Clifton's Dan stopped and refused to go any farther at the next fence and Gold Bud fell a few fences farther it was just a question of Tino Wave's jumping ability. He jumped all the way home with Mr. Arthur sitting calmly and letting him go his own way. G. Stephens who fell at the 12th fence with Gold Bud remounted and gamely tried to finish within the time limit for 2nd money but missed it by a few seconds. Interestingly enough Mr. Stephens last ride at Middleburg before the Webb Memorial was on the late Mr. Webb's Gimpey.

The next race brought together some really high class horses for the Mary Mellon Steeplechase and it is rare that you see three stakes winners meeting at the hunt races. These were G. H. Bostwick's Little Sammie, Mrs. S. C. Clark, Jr.'s Trough Hill and Miss Ella A. Widener's Adaptable. Also in the contest were Miss Widener's Chance Bullet and C. Douglas Dillon's Mr. Man, an easy winner at Far Hills. These 5 ran together most of the way. Mr. Man with Norman Brown up led at the start but fell at the sixth fence. Trough Hill with T. Field up and H. Harris on Little Sammie ran about a length apart after this with Adaptable and Chance Bullet a few lengths back of them. The last turn saw Little Sammie challenge Trough Hill and as they raced down the hill to the turn for home, Little Sammie got a length ahead. Adaptable was making a move here also but couldn't get to the leaders. Rounding the turn into the finish, Trough Hill was still trying to catch Little Sammie. Adaptable had had enough under his top impost, and Chance Bullet was running the fastest of them all. At the finish it was Little Sammie by a length. Chance Bullet got up to best Trough Hill for the place and Adaptable was last. About 5 lengths separated the leader from the last horse and it was a real contest.

In the sixth race at one mile and a quarter on the flat, The Brookhill, Emmett Roberts trained and rode H. A. Dunn's Leche Hombre to a 2-length victory over 9 others. Emmett who is back in the saddle this fall after a long lay off did a superb job to be the surprise winner of this one.

The Chilton, which was the concluding race on the program was another easy victory for G. H. Bostwick's Frere Markette, who skipped six furlongs to win easily and give his owner-trainer a double for the day.

The wet crowd departed after this with a feeling that they had seen excellent racing and it was not long before the Middleburg hospitality had everyone comfortable in front of roaring fires.

SUMMARIES

The Oakham, hurdles, abt. 1 1/2 miles, 3 & up. Purse, \$600; net value to winner, \$425; 2nd: \$100; 3rd: \$50; 4th: \$25. Winner: b. g. (5) by Snowfall-Cypresse, by Double Hackle. Trainer: W. G. Jones. Breeder: Daniel Duggan (Argentine). Time: 2:49 3-5.
1. Snow King 2nd. (Bohemia Stable), 145, M. Fife.
2. My Good Man, (I. Bieher), 139,

T. Field.
3. Valiant (C. M. Kline), 137, W. Mallison.
7 started; also ran (order of finish): G. H. Bostwick's Uncle Sam, 138, H. Harris; Allen M. Hirsch's Dinwiddie, 136, E. Roberts; Mrs. Johnston Hyde's Pretender, 151, Mr. R. Kirkpatrick; Allen M. Hirsch's Ratcheter, 157, R. D. Fridinger. Won by 5; place driving by 1; show same by 8. Scratched: Vaden King, Check Check, Deferment, Scuttleman, Flying Dolphin, Leche Hombre, Half Hour, Sea Defense.

The Sunnybank, hurdles, abt. 2 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$700; net value to winner, \$460; 2nd: \$25; 3rd: \$75; 4th: \$40. Winner: b. g. (6) by Diskulus-Golden Feast, by Golden Sun. Trainer: S. Watters, Jr. Breeder: Douglas Parish. Time: 3:53 1-5.
1. Golden Risk, (Cordelia M. Scaife), 147, J. Bosley III.
2. Look Around, Mrs. Ogden Phipps), 165, T. Field.
3. Half Hour, (C. M. Kline), 134, W. Mallison.

Only 3 started. Won eased up by 20; place driving by a neck. Scratched: Flying Dolphin, Battle-Torch, Scuttleman, Snow King 2nd, Valiant. Mr. Man, Bill Coffman.
The Dresden, brush, abt. 2 miles, 3 & up. Purse, \$700; net value to winner, \$460; 2nd: \$125; 3rd: \$75; 4th: \$40. Winner: b. g. (8) by Annapolis-Brigade Rose, by Light Brigade. Trainer: R. G. Woolfe. Breeder: Mrs. Marion duPont Scott. Time: 4:11 2-5.
1. Compass Rose, (Montpelier), 139, F. Hutcherson.
2. Stunt Man, (Mrs. M. E. Whitney), 139, E. Roberts.
3. Tourist Index, (Allison Stern), 149, P. Smithwick.

7 started; also ran (order of finish): Irvin Beavers' Anchors Down, 144, A. D. Clatterbaugh; F. Ambrose Clark's Scuttleman, 141, M. Fife; ran out: C. M. Kline's New Puzzle, 157, J. McAdam; left at post: Mrs. S. C. Clark, Jr.'s Bill Coffman, 139, T. Field. Won driving by 1; place same by 6; show same by 3. Scratched: Bank Note, Little Sammie, Check Check, Fifty-Fifty, Battle-Torch, Ducker, Cloonshee, Trough Hill.
The Gerald B. Webb, Jr. Memorial, timber, abt. 3 1/2 miles, 4 & up. Purse, \$500; net value to winner, Challenge Plate, \$325; 2nd: \$100; 3rd: \$50; 4th: \$25. Winner: lt. b. g. (10) by Valentin-Wavy, by Crimper. Trainer: C. M. Greer, Jr. Breeder: B. L. Trynham. Time: 7:37 4-5.
1. Tino Wave, (Mrs. C. S. Richards), 165, Mr. J. Arthur.
2. Gold Bud, (W. E. Stephens), 145, Mr. G. Stephens. (Failed to finish within the time limit).
5 started; also ran: lost rider (2nd): Lloyd E. Hershey's Original Sin, 159, Mr. E. Bennett; fell (7th): Bliss Placuss' Big Mike, 150, Mr. M. Smithwick; refused (7th): Dan Brewster's Clifton's Dan, 145, Mr. W. Brewster. Scratched: Identiron.

The Mary Mellon Chase, brush, abt. 2 1/2 mi., 4 & up. Purse, \$2,000 added; net value to winner, Challenge Cup, \$1,670; 2nd: \$400; 3rd: \$200; 4th: \$100. Winner: br. g. (7) by Sammie-Little Chamer, by Sun Chamer. Trainer: G. H. Bostwick. Breeder: J. Howard Lewis. Time: 4:45 3-5.
1. Little Sammie, (G. H. Bostwick), 146, H. Harris.
2. Chance Bullet, (Ella A. Widener), 140, W. Mallison.
3. Trough Hill, (Mrs. S. C. Clark, Jr.), 157, T. Field.

5 started; also ran: Ella A. Widener's Adaptable, 165, J. Rich; fell: C. D. Dillon's Mr. Man, 145, N. Brown. Won driving by 2 1/2; place same by 2; show same by 2. Scratched: Bill Coffman, Battle-Torch, Compass Rose, Stout Man, Look Around, Cloonshee, Tourist Index, Fifty-Fifty.
The Brookville, abt. 1 1/4 mi., turf, 3 & up. Purse, \$400; net value to winner, \$260; 2nd: \$80; 3rd: \$40; 4th: \$20. Winner: br. g. (3) by Milkman-Drystone, by Man o'War. Trainer: E. Roberts. Breeder: Mrs. W. Plunket Stewart. Time: 2:20.
1. Leche Hombre, (H. A. Dunn), 138, E. Roberts.
2. Sergt. Peace, (F. Ambrose Clark), 136, C. Nix.
3. Lion Rampant, (Shamrock Stable), 161, T. Field.

9 started; also ran (order of finish): H. W. Anderson's Sun Prince, 136, M. Simms; R. K. Mellon's Deferment, 151, J. Bosley III; G. H. Bostwick's Victory Lad, 159, H. Harris; A. E. Pew, Jr.'s Ringo, 139, W. Mallison; Mrs. Corliss Sullivan's Shipwick, 142, C. Williams; J. T. Sisk's Owl, 143, J. Johnson. Scratched: Snow King 2nd, Pasture Rider, Demas, Poniar Seniah, Sea Defense, Suttgart, Dillsburg, Frere Markette.
The Chilton, abt. 6 f., turf, all ages. Purse, \$400; net value to winner, \$260; 2nd: \$80; 3rd: \$40; 4th: \$20. Winner: br. g. (3) by Kenty-My Claire, by Sunference. Trainer: G. H. Bostwick. Breeder: Ed. Johnstone. Time: 1:27 1-5.
1. Frere Markette, (G. H. Bostwick), 153, H. Harris.
2. Dunnald, (Rokeby Stables), 142, T. Field.
3. Bigote, (Pedro Serramaler), 146, N. Brown.

11 started; also ran (order of finish): R. K. Mellon's Dillsburg, 153, J. Bosley III; C. M. Kline's Pasture Rider, 144, J. Rich; Mrs. John Strawbridge, Jr.'s Hada Bar, 155, M. Simms; Mrs. E. T. H. Talmage, Jr.'s Poniar Seniah, 141, H. Brown; Mrs. R. P. Kirkpatrick's Busy Moments, 146, Mr. R. P. Kirkpatrick; F. Ambrose Clark's Repose, 142, C. Nix; L. M. Allen's Isle Of Man, 148, J. Hummer; Mrs. Simon T. Patterson's Hello Joe, 147, E. Roberts. Won easily by 4; place driving by 1 1/2; show same by a head. Scratched: Six Of One, Leche Hombre, Deferment, Great Step.

Pimlico 'Chasing Marks Season End To Infield Sport

***Picture Prince Chalks Up 2nd Victory At Baltimore Course For Mrs. Esther duPont Weir**

William Jaeger

Mrs. Esther DuPont Weir's *Picture Prince seems to have a fond liking for the Pimlico infield course.

The 9-yr.-old gelding by Romney out of Perception has won two races all year for Trainer Jim Ryan in 13 starts and both of them have come at the Maryland Jockey Club course. Last May 6, *Picture Prince won a cheap claiming race here and on Nov. 10th he did it again by scoring very handily in the infield test, a claimer for \$5,000 down to \$4,000 horses.

Given a faultless ride by Charlie Peoples, *Picture Prince assumed command from Kennebunk between the 8th and 9th hedges and then went on to waltz home by 25 lengths over Mrs. Lloyd Lose's Paper Cutter. Mrs. Henry Obre's Abidale, which had slowed down to practically a walk, took 3rd honors, 50 lengths back of Paper Cutter.

Both Paper Cutter and Abidale secured money spots merely by staying on their feet as 3 of the 7 starters fell at various stages of the race and John Stuart's Kennebunk refused at 2 fences just as he did in a race here last week.

Edgar Horn's Bar Ship, a winner at the meeting, was the 1st to go down. He tossed Benny Anstead at the 3rd. The next victim of the slow turf course was Jack Grabosky's Ducker, also a recent victor. He unseated Bobby McDonald heavily at the 7th obstacle and the popular jockey was removed to the Maryland General Hospital in Baltimore with a possible cracked collarbone.

At the 12th, Mrs. Vera Bragg's Parader fell suddenly with E. A. Russell. Neither Russell nor Anstead received injuries.

Kennebunk, which was on top early but lost the lead to *Picture Prince after a turn of the field, refused at the 10th hedge. He was rushed back into contention by Merlin Fife, cleared the jump and then refused again at the 11th. After that, he was pulled up.

*Picture Prince shouldered 142 pounds over the two miles, 15-jump course in the exceedingly slow time of 4:23. The John Bosley, Jr.-trained entry of Bar Ship and Abidale was favored. The official crowd was 13,402.

Cl. chase, abt. 2 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$500; net value to winner, \$2,200; 2nd: \$750; 3rd: \$350. Winner: ch. f. (9), by Romney-Perception, by My Prince. Trainer: J. E. Ryan. Breeder: Capt. W. Kennis (Eire). Time: 4:31.
1. *Picture Prince, (Mrs. E. duPont Weir), 140, C. Peoples.

2. Paper Cutter, (Mrs. L. L. Lose), 130, J. Smith.
3. Abidale, (Mrs. H. Obre), 150, J. Bosley III.

7 started, 3 finished; fell (12th): Mrs. V. S. Bragg's Parader, 142, E. A. Russell; refused (11th): J. Stuart's Kennebunk, 140, M. Fife; fell (7th): J. Grabosky's Ducker, 137, R. S. McDonald; fell (3rd): E. G. Horn's Bar Ship, 144, B. Anstead. Won easily by 25; place same by 50. Scratched: Galley Boy, Rice Cake.

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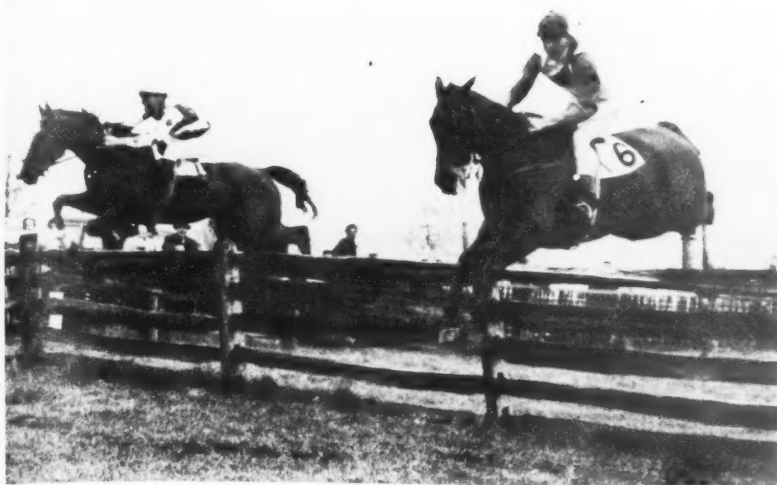
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11th Fall Race Meeting At Middleburg

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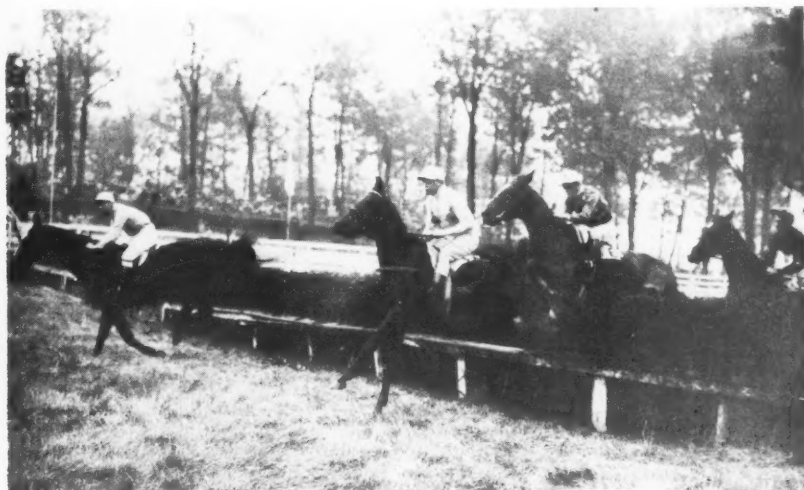
Mrs. C. S. Richards' TINO WAVE, #1, went to the top at the start of The Gerald B. Webb, Jr. Memorial but lost ground to Bliss Flaccus' BIG MIKE at the 4th jump. When BIG MIKE went down at the 7th, TINO WAVE had moved up on even terms and from there on, he had only to complete the course.



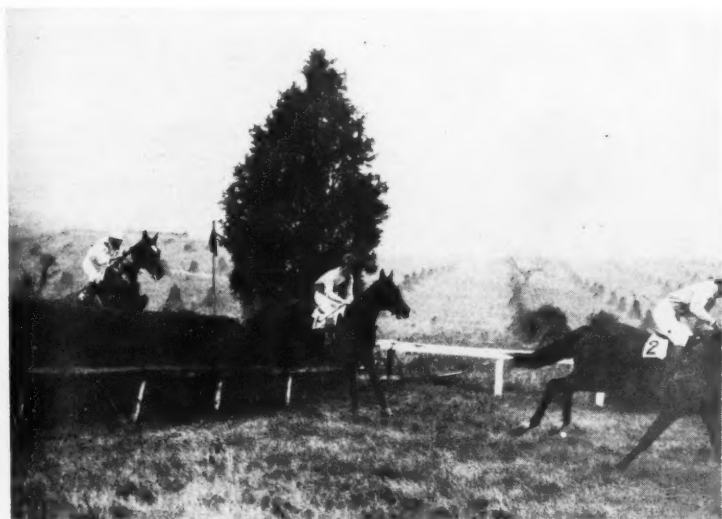
Young Mr. Grover Stephens rode his father's GOLD BUD in the timber race and was a most enthusiastic entry. Coming a cropper, his horse was caught, Mr. Stephens remounted, jumped the wrong panel but came back on the course correctly and finished. He had a bad break at the finish as he was clocked 15 seconds over the time allowed.



Stacy B. Lloyd, Jr., publisher and editor of The Chronicle, presented the Gerald B. Webb, Jr. Challenge Plate to the owner of TINO WAVE, Mrs. Richards and Mr. J. Arthur, rider.



Montpelier's home-bred COMPASS ROSE went into the winner's circle in The Dresden, opening a 1-length gap at the finish ahead of Mrs. M. E. Whitney's STUNT MAN. By the grandstand, (left) COMPASS ROSE, F. Hutcheson up, #11, SCUTTLEMAN, #6, NEW PUZZLE and Jockey E. Roberts on STUNT MAN.



Mrs. S. C. Clark, Jr.'s TROUGH HILL, #2 and C. D. Dillon's MR. MAN were early leaders in The Mary Mellon Steeplechase but #1, LITTLE SAMMIE, fresh from his Manly Chase victory at Pimlico, moved up to win by 2½ lengths. Jockey H. Harris was up.



Nine went to the post in The Brookhill, about 1½ miles over a turf course. R. K. Mellon's DEFERMENT took an early lead but dropped back as H. A. Dunn's LECH E HOMBRE took over with Jockey E. Roberts. LECH E HOMBRE went on to win as F. Ambrose Clark's SERGT. PEACE moved up to place.

Mrs. Whitney's Grey Tops Perry Bay In Trinity's 11th Show

For several years the Trinity Horse Show has been beset by rain, and plenty of rain but this year on October 11, the weather left nothing to be desired. Held at Grafton Farm near Upperville, Va., the 11th annual renewal was a great success and the keen competition was clearly indicated in the close finishes for championship awards.

In the green hunter division Mrs. M. E. Whitney's Safety Call and Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry's Malbone battled it out for the tri-color, the grey filly nosing out the chestnut gelding by 1 point to place the tri-color to the Whitney tack-room.

Safety Call assumed a safe lead for the conformation hunter championship with another Perry horse in closest pursuit. Last year's National Horse Show green hunter champion, Cartender, was panned reserve conformation hunter champion.

Another entry which passed all comers for the working hunter rosette was Mrs. Alex Calvert's Roydesal. He garnered 10 points but left 4 horses in his wake tied for reserve, each with 5 points. Hackling under saddle for the Judge's selection were Miss Nancy Haas' Ever So, Miss Peggy Hamilton's Golondrina, Miss Mary Davy's Best Time and Springsbury Farm's Freckles. The award went to Ever So which has shown again this season what a consistent one he is in the show ring.

The large yearling class was dominated by a previous blue ribbon winner, Coq's Stamp, a chestnut gelding by Coq d'Esprit—Scotch Age, owned by Dr. L. M. Allen. Another chestnut, a colt by Charing Cross—Deloraine, owned by Mrs. A. C. Randolph was in for 2nd. The 2-year-old and 3-year-old classes were smaller but there was no lack of quality. Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Randle's Rain Slicker annexed the blue in the 2-year-old division with Malbone taking the lion's share in the latter class.

SUMMARIES

Yearlings, Thoroughbreds and Half-breeds—1. Coq's Stamp, ch. g., by Coq d'Esprit—Scotch Age, Dr. L. M. Allen; 2. Ch. c. by Charing Cross—Deloraine, Mrs. A. C. Randolph; 3. Sally's Gerald, br. g., by Gerald—Sally Port, Springsbury Farm; 4. Incursion, s. g., by Sortie's Son—Alice Highland, Meander Farm.

2-year-olds, Thoroughbreds and Half-breeds—1. Rain Slicker, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Randle; 2. Disobedient, Mrs. Alex Calvert; 3. Hi-Band, Mr. and Mrs. Algernon Davy; 4. Spanish Boy, Peach Hires.

3-year-olds, Thoroughbreds and Half-breeds—1. Malbone, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry; 2. Lady Fashion, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Randle; 3. Adventure, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 4. Raconteur, Mrs. A. C. Randolph.

Model hunters—1. Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 2. Cartender, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry; 3. Just Spar, Tipperary Stables; 4. Clifton's Champ, Mary Davy.

Green hunters under saddle—1. Malbone, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry; 2. Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 3. Lady Fashion, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Randle; 4. Just Spar, Tipperary Stables.

Children's lead-rein—1. Laura Lawrence; 2. Jimmy Fletcher; 3. Anne Slater.

Children's hacks, riders not over 12—1. Storm Pearl, Pamela and Caroline Read; 2. Dan, Laura Lee Shreve; 3. Snaps, Sue Anne Freeman; 4. Florian, Robert Cushman.

Children's ponies over jumps, riders not over 12—1. Storm King, Pamela and Caroline Read; 2. Snaps, Sue Anne Freeman; 3. Storm Pearl, Pamela and Caroline Read; 4. Florian, Robert Cushman.

Junior hacks—1. Madam Sniper, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 2. Praline, John Freeman, Jr.; 3. Heriade, O'Sullivan Farms; 4. Thumbs Up, Sue Ann Freeman.

Junior hunters—1. Daze, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 2. Thumbs Up, Sue Ann Freeman; 3. Madam Sniper, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 4. Dark Cloud, Ann Duvall Peach.

Working hunters—1. Ever So, Nancy Haas; 2. Freckles, Springsbury Farm; 3. Scotch Yarn, G. E. Altman; 4. Roydesal, Mrs. Alex Calvert.

Lightweight hunters—1. Cartender, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry; 2. Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 3. Roydesal, Mrs. Alex Calvert; 4. Golondrina, Peggy Hamilton.

Middle and heavyweight hunters—1. Portmaker, Dr. and Mrs. Alvin I. Kay; 2. Clifton's Champ, Mary Davy; 3. Adventure, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 4. Meadow Play, Ballantrae.

Equitation class—1. Sue Ann Freeman; 2. Nancy Kirby; 3. John Freeman, Jr.; 4. Carolyn Cushman.

Ladies' working hunters—1. Roydesal, Mrs. Alex Calvert; 2. Portmaker, Dr. and Mrs. Alvin I. Kay; 3. Freckles, Springsbury Farm; 4. Cherry Princess, Ballantrae.

Green hunters—1. Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 2. Malbone, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry; 3. Gray Attack, Tipperary Stables; 4. Adventure, Mrs. M. E. Whitney.

Hunters under saddle—1. Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 2. Malbone, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry; 3. Clifton's Champ, Mary Davy; 4. Friar's Maid, Morton W. Smith.

Ladies' hunters—1. Gray Attack, Tipperary Stables; 2. Roydesal, Mrs. Alex Calvert; 3. Clifton's Champ, Mary Davy; 4. Portmaker, Dr. and Mrs. Alvin I. Kay.

Bona-fide hunters under saddle—1. Never Rest, Mrs. Charles Morgan; 2. Blackout, Mrs.

Safety Call Earns Champion Awards At Middleburg

There is no lack of activity when an S. P. C. A. Hunter Show is held on the Glenwood Race Course near Middleburg, Va. This year was the 4th renewal and the date was Saturday, October 18. This is a show which invites a hunting hunter and his rider and it is really something to see some of the hardest riders in the Field, taking back at entering the show ring.

Mrs. M. E. Whitney brought along her 4-year-old grey mare by Great War—St. Hilda and Safety Call repeated her previous week's performance at the Trinity Horse Show, when she annexed the tri-color at the S. P. C. A. Hunter Show. Mrs. Whitney rode her in most of the classes and then was really a busy owner-rider in the corinthian which, incidentally, also went to Safety Call.

From Foxcroft came girls galore and a better group of youngsters would be hard to find along the lines of sportsmanship. They had non-riders on the sidelines for the cheering squad and participating riders gave one another a big hand. Taking an early lead was Miss Molly McIntosh and her roan gelding, Exchange. This pair came along through the show picking up ribbons in junior classes and then in working hunters, the latter counting toward the championship. Prior to the hunter sweepstakes, Exchange was tied for reserve and a post entry sent him into the ring and out of the ring with the red ribbon, pinned behind Mrs. Whitney's Adventure. He had 9 points for reserve.

FAIRFIELD AND WESTCHESTER HUNTER TRIALS



Fairfield and Westchester inaugurated its season with hunter trials October 26th at Greenwich, Conn. where Mrs. Howard Serrell's SHINER carried off the top honors as champion hunter. A good, bold mover was Carlo Paterno's COLONEL GEORGE here seen jumping big over a sizeable post and rail. COLONEL GEORGE was 3rd in handy hunters. Freudy Photos.

A. C. Randolph; 3. Freckles, Springsbury Farm; 4. Repulsion, Mrs. J. T. Malone.

Open hunters—1. Golondrina, Peggy Hamilton; 2. Roydesal, Mrs. Alex Calvert; 3. Cartender, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry; 4. Madam Sniper, Mrs. M. E. Whitney.

Handy hunters—1. Best Time, Mary Davy; 2. Moonlight Bay, Springsbury Farm; 3. Daze, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 4. Roydesal, Mrs. Alex Calvert.

Bona-fide hunters—1. Scotch Yarn, G. E. Altman; 2. Freckles, Springsbury Farm; 3. Dolly, Mrs. Charles Morgan; 4. Best Time, Mary Davy.

3-year-olds over fences—1. Malbone, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry; 2. Adventure, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 3. Moonlight Bay, Springsbury Farm; 4. Flamingo, Morton W. Smith.

Green hunters, 4-year-olds and over—1. Cartender, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry; 2. Clifton's Champ, Mary Davy; 3. Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 4. Meadow Play, Ballantrae.

Conformation hunters—1. Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 2. Daze, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 3. Golondrina, Peggy Hamilton; 4. Clifton's Champ, Mary Davy.

Green hunter championship—Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney Reserve—Malbone, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry.

Conformation hunter championship—Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney Reserve—Cartender, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haggin Perry.

Working hunter championship—Roydesal, Mrs. Alex Calvert Reserve—Ever So, Nancy Haas.

Judges—Breeding and hunters, C. M. Greer, Jr., Middleburg, Va. Ponies, Junior hunters and equitation, Mrs. George P. Greenhalgh, Jr., Boyce, Va.

Last year a 3-year-old from the stable of Col. Frederick Warburg upset the usual routine by turning in a faultless performance in the go-as-you-please handy hunters and with Fred Embrey again in the saddle, the now 4-year-old One More Pennant topped the class this year.

How the yearling class will affect some of the entries remains to be seen. Headed, "Thoroughbred and Half-bred yearlings suitable to become hunters", the blue went to a bay colt by Good Goods—Sun Monia, owned by Gary Black and bred and sold by Brookmeade at the Saratoga Yearling Sales. In for 2nd was Mill River Stable's brown colt by "Bull Dog"—Gino Patty which was bred and sold by Coldstream Stud at the Keeneland Yearling Sales for \$19,000.

They carry their years lightly, are shown under saddle and their riders tell how many years their respective mounts have been following hounds. This makes up the Old Guard class. The 19-year-old Trenton, with 16 years of hunting behind him, topped the entries. With Mary Merrill Hubbard in the saddle, this hunter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Furness gave no evidence that his hunting days are over.

It is always difficult to cut down on show coverage and particularly so when it is more or less a local affair. Suffice it to say that everyone had a good time and while some of the riders probably won't be in a show ring for another year, they plan to be at Glenwood again. The schedule of the day was interrupted at times to parade an imported French Percheron stallion, donated by Mrs. M. E. Whitney and raffled off by the show committee. Holder of the lucky ticket was James Vaughn who immediately vanned La-

Kalico Kat Jumps Way To Victory At Purcellville

Whenever a group of juniors get together to work out a show, they really work hard and more than likely, they have a top event. This was the case with the Purcellville Pony Show held at Purcellville, Va. on Sept. 6. The classes were well planned and included breeding, hunter and jumper events.

Outstanding throughout the show was the gallant little Kalico Kat, a roan mare standing 13.1 but whose size means nothing over jumps. From her performances this season, it would seem that the larger the jumps, the better she likes them. Owned by Tranquility Farm, she brought back the tri-color as the result of her day's work while reserve honors went to Miss Ann Pancoast's Halloween, an owner-rider combination.

An interesting part of the program was a couple of classes for Loudoun ponies. The hack class went to Miss Carolyn Cushman's Duke of Windsor, while Miss Pamela Read's Storm King captured the blue in pony hunters.

SUMMARIES

Pony broodmares, 142 and under—1. Thumbs Up, Sue Anne Freeman; 2. Farnley Sunflower, Patsy Pancoast; 3. Halloween, Ann Pancoast; 4. Kalico Kat, Tranquility Farm.

Pony yearlings and 2-year-olds—1. Grigger, Anne Mae Fields; 2. Sun Shine, Bedford Smith; 3. Gail's Pride, Tranquility Farm; 4. Kitty Lou, Nancy Griffith.

Model ponies, 142 and under—1. Thumbs Up, Sue Anne Freeman; 2. Storm Pearl, Caroline Read; 3. Farnley Sunflower, Patsy Pancoast; 4. Halloween, Ann Pancoast.

Warm up, ponies 142 and under—1. Halloween, Ann Pancoast; 2. Kalico Kat, Tranquility Farm; 3. Sonny Boy, Adele Hawthorne; 4. Dan, Laura Lee Shreve.

Loudoun pony hacks—1. Duke of Windsor, Carolyn Cushman; 2. Grey Baby, Blanche Paul; 3. Storm King, Pamela Read; 4. Sonny Boy, Adele Hawthorne.

Loudoun pony hunters—1. Storm King, Pamela Read; 2. Grey Baby, Blanche Paul; 3. Sonny Boy, Adele Hawthorne; 4. Little Andy, Jean Anderson.

Pony hack, 13 and under—1. Storm Pearl, Caroline Read; 2. Kitty Lou, Nancy Griffith; 3. Lady, Billy and Barty Furr; 4. Dan, Laura Lee Shreve.

Combination class—1. Lady, Billy and Barty Furr; 2. Caramel, Cornelia Winthrop; 3. Kitty Lou, Nancy Griffith; 4. Black Orchid, Aubrey Hall, Jr.

Lead rein class, children 6 and under—1. Patsy Connors; 2. Entry; 3. Entry; 4. Mary Wade Graham.

Green hunters, ponies 142 and under—1. Storm Pearl, Caroline Read; 2. Storm King, Pamela Read; 3. Lady, Billy and Barty Furr; 4. Sonny Boy, Adele Hawthorne.

Pony hacks over 13—1. Kalico Kat, Tranquility Farm; 2. Duke of Windsor, Carolyn Cushman; 3. Grey Baby, Blanche Paul; 4. Thumbs Up, Sue Anne Freeman.

Bareback class—1. Kalico Kat, Tranquility Farm; 2. Storm Pearl, Caroline Read; 3. Storm King, Pamela Read; 4. Halloween, Ann Pancoast.

Pony hunters 142 and under—1. Kalico Kat, Tranquility Farm; 2. Farnley Sunflower, Patsy Pancoast; 3. Halloween, Ann Pancoast; 4. Pretty Girl, Tranquility Farm.

Working hunter ponies—1. Halloween, Ann Pancoast; 2. Kalico Kat, Tranquility Farm; 3. Thumbs Up, Sue Anne Freeman; 4. Pretty Girl, Tranquility Farm.

Open horsemanship—1. Sue Anne Freeman; 2. Ann Pancoast; 3. Gail Graham; 4. Blanche Paul.

Touch and out—1. Halloween, Ann Pancoast; 2. Red Dawn, Angie Lee Sanders; 3. Kalico Kat, Tranquility Farm; 4. Farnley Sunflower, Patsy Pancoast.

Pony foals—1. Entry, Bob Griffith; 2. Lady Hunt, Dickie Potts; 3. Entry, Farnley Farm; 4. Entry, Farnley Farm.

Champion—Kalico Kat, Tranquility Farm Reserve—Halloween, Ann Pancoast.

Lead-line class, under 6—1. Patricia S. Connors; 2. Laura Lawrence; 3. Anne Morgan; 4. Betsy Morgan.

Bred's working hunters—1. Exchange, Molly McIntosh; 2. Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 3. Daze, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 4. Aristocrat, Ballantrae.

Children's hacks, riders under 15 (horses)—1. Exchange, Molly McIntosh; 2. Madam Sniper, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 3. News Boy, A. Winthrop; 4. Bird in Hand, Minnie Wanamaker.

Children's hacks, ponies—1. Florian, Robert Cushman; 2. Duke of Windsor, Carolyn Cushman; 3. Storm King, Misses Pamela and Caroline Read; 4. Storm Pearl, Misses Pamela and Caroline Read; 5. White Socks, Master Phillip R. Connors.

Old Guard Class—1. Trenton, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Furness; 2. Dolly, Mrs. Charles Morgan; 3. Tintype, Mrs. C. O. Iselin; 4. Best Time, Mary Davy.

Hunter sweepstakes—1. Adventure, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 2. Exchange, Molly McIntosh; 3. One More Pennant, Col. Frederick Warburg; 4. Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney.

Conformation hunter—1. Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 2. Huntsman, Zella Kunhardt; 3. Daze, Mrs. M. E. Whitney; 4. Aristocrat, Ballantrae.

Groom's class—1. Huntsman, Pat Anderson; 2. Charming, Herman Grant; 3. Heidi, Walter Valentine; 4. Star Topper, Pinky Brown.

Hunter championship—Safety Call, Mrs. M. E. Whitney Reserve—Exchange, Molly McIntosh.

Atoka Bowl, perpetual challenge bowl presented by Mrs. Robinson McIlvaine—Won by Mrs. C. Oliver Iselin, Jr.

Judges—Mrs. Jane Fowler Bassett and Hugh O'Donovan.

Orange County Hunt Club

The Plains, Virginia
Established 1903
Recognized 1903
Joint-Masters: (1920) Fletcher Harper.
(1947) Robert B. Young.
Hounds: American.
Hunting: Fox.
Colors: Scarlet.

The rains came which was a blessing to our parched and dusty earth, so that Orange County's opening meet at Mr. Fletcher Harper's Sat., Nov. 1st was favored with a cool northwest wind and a moderate "cushion" to the ground.

Some 40 odd landowners and members turned out for a good, if varied, day's sport. It was fine to see "Mix" Dancer out with his pretty daughter Betsy who is so keen and such a good young one to hounds. Also the Ed Altemuses, owners of the old Whiting place, who are a great addition and likewise ardent fox-hunters. And it is heartening to have young "Obie" Filley and Charles Whitehouse back from the wars adding their zest and enthusiasm. In fact it's pretty exciting to have the gentlemen out numbering the ladies in the field once more.

We found a trustworthy old fox almost immediately in Bobby Young's woods and several lead hounds got away on the line before most of the field knew it. We had to sit down and really tin can across the Youngs' and Mrs. Ashley Paddock's to catch them. They dented him in Carter's Mill and immediately picked up a grey which gave us a dizzy whirl around Walter Wolfe's. Mrs. Anderson's and Mrs. Herbert Shaw's for about 20 minutes.

Then for two and a half hours we drew all over our best country without a murmur from hounds. This procedure cut down the field considerably and by the time we got to the Lake place only a few die-hards tenaciously carried on. Suddenly hounds spoke with great authority, Huntsman "Duke" Leach let out that rebel yell and we jammed down our hats and took off. After circling once over Ike Glasscock's and Mark Glasscock's, hounds set sail back across the Lake place and Ed Altemus' to the hard road by Mr. Legard's—so fast a pace did they set that the hunt staff and field had a time staying close—into the Rectortown country, wide open over Mrs. Remy's to the railroad track and across onto Mrs. John Rawlings, from there to Mr. Carter's and right through to Anthony Wilson's driveway. There we lost hounds momentarily and took what was practically our first breather. It was discovered hounds had turned back sharp left handed and there was every reason to believe they might be chasing their quarry back to where he came from. This prospect was rather more than the field could face having had a hard sixty minutes at the end of a long day's hunting, so reluctantly we left Huntsman Leach. Whip Gaylord Conkleman and Bobby Young, M. F. H. to go in pursuit. Actually they were fortunate enough to get to hounds just as they switched to a fresh fox and whipped them off.

A small, tired, and contented band consisting of Miss Mary Merrill Hubbard, Minor Mulford, Roger Lambdon, Miss Sally Roszell, Burrell Hoffman, Mrs. Bobby Young and Charles Whitehouse set out for home considerably farther away than where they started from.

Bethel Lake Beagles Provide Good Hunting

Sun., Nov. 2, 1947, our 22nd meet this season. Eight couple hounds met at 9 A. M., a cloudy, cool, N. E. weather, temperature 48 degrees. Took pack in van to Thies hill. After a month's draught we had enjoyed a good rain and fields which had been desert like were now soggy. Unloaded hounds and went through a quiet walk with difficulty as they were eager to go and were overcome by the good scenting conditions. We cast east and then south. Hounds were continually giving tongue and numerous tracks in the sand verified their suspicion that hare had been there. Put up a hare south of the little mounds on Chapel Heights road. Pilgrim, an unentering hound, was the first to see it and ran the hare for a hundred yards or so, in a hesitant manner. Since

Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Foxhounds

Unionville, Pennsylvania
Established 1914
Recognized 1914
Joint-Masters: (1914) W. Plunket Stewart
(1947) Mrs. John B. Hannum III.
Hounds: English.
Hunting: Fox.
Colors: Scarlet.

"Nothing ventured, nothing gained" is apparently a pretty true old saying, as when one left home this morning to motor to the official opening meet of the season at Runnymede, it did not seem as if there was one chance in a hundred that hounds could even go out, let alone find a fox and have a hunt. It had been blowing a gale all night; it was pouring rain; there was thunder and lightning; the roads were so flooded one could not cross the Brandywine at Pocopson, which meant a detour via West Chester. However, on leaving Marshallton the clouds lifted like a curtain; the sun came out and all was well.

One may be old and bald and gray, but there is still a great thrill to the opening meet of the season, even if one has attended nearly fifty of them in bygone years; and so it was this morning. Scarlet and fine linen, spit and polish and all the pageantry of pre-war times; there's nothing quite like it to set the blood tingling, and one's only regrets are that more of the followers of Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Foxhounds did not brave the elements and take a chance.

However, about forty ladies and gentlemen made the effort and were well rewarded by one of the best and fastest gallops of the early season. Hounds seemed actually glued to the line of their fox and simply flew across this lovely Chester County countryside for thirty-five minutes without the semblance of a check, to pull their pilot down in the open in most brilliant style.

As we were riding through the Speakman lane I said to myself "If we don't find in Irvin's Wood, we might as well go home, as no self-respecting fox will be above ground after a storm like this"; and at that moment Charlie Smith put the bitches into covert and immediately the twenty-three and a half couples opened with a roar and a beautiful big dog fox with a splendid white tag on his brush slipped out of the wood with the pack right on his heels. It seemed certain death before he could reach the hedge-row into Webb's, but he made it just in time; then pointing for Powell's Wood the bitches practically had him again; but dodging through the pack, he somehow gained a few yards; and sinking the little vale, crossed the Speakman meadow and the back road to the dense confines of MacCauley's, bore right through the overgrown McClee fields, and crossing the Londonderry road and keeping Luther Palmer's on their right, hounds simply flew to Trimble's Hollow, bore right towards Isaac Gibson's; then swinging left to the Funk farm came back through Trimble's, and swinging left once more, crossed the road, and running on much the same line as before, bore right-handed in the Funk farm to straighten away due south towards the Newport Turnpike. Hounds crossed the pike and ran on to the Street Road where our pilot was viewed sailing down the middle of that motor infested highway; then turning into a wire enclosed pasture on his left, was rolled over by these flying ladies just over the brow of a hill on the Pascal farm.

—Martin Gale

the hare ran across several back yards in a semi-circle west, we lifted the pack and put them on the line north of Thies barn.

The hounds worked the line fairly well across new wheat fields, but finally checked near Peterson's barn. Thinking the hare might have circled east we cast back. Near the top of Thies Hill the pack hit a line and most of the young entry honored it and gave tongue. The hare got up unseen by hounds; however they soon had the line and were taking it in a semi-circle west, when another hare got up in the level field, across from Windy Acres Farm. Gossip, another unentering hound saw it and let the pack after the hare in full cry. This hare was a leveret and ran with a graceful and effortless motion. For some reason hounds lost it immediately and we cast back for the hare we had been

Essex Fox Hounds

Peapack, New Jersey
Established 1912
Recognized 1912
Joint-Masters: (1947) Mrs. Chas. Scribner.
(1947) W. Benedict Johnson.
Hounds: American.
Hunting: Fox.
Colors: Scarlet, orange collar.

Whiffle Tree

Election Day dawned with a cold driving rain. Several telephone calls to the Kennels brought the assurance each time that hounds would go out. The previous Friday under similar conditions had been reported (by the few hardy souls who had a raincoat which didn't leak) as the best of the season, so, with many misgivings, and spurred on only by an unsporting desire not to miss anything, we set out for the meet at John Cowperthwaite's. It was a great mistake.

Our two Masters had a Field of not more than a dozen, who, by the time they arrived, had lost what little starch they set out with. Probably the only relatively dry ones were Maurey Jones, who sported a smart pair of oilskin pants and a late-stayer from the Hunt Cup races with rubber mud britches. Even the latter, however, soon complained of green water in his boots.

Hounds, not being amphibious, showed scant interest in the proceedings and spoke briefly only once or twice out of courtesy, or perhaps envy, to a few foxes dry and comfortable deep underground.

It was called a day well before noon with no regrets, and we repaired after a warm bath to the Cowperthwaites' better-attended and sumptuous hunt breakfast for further discussion of a strenuous weekend. This included some fine racing on Saturday, high-lighted by Tino Wave's effortless and graceful winning of the New Jersey Hunt Cup and Mr. Man's popular victory in the Wilmerding Memorial for Owner Douglas Dillon and Trainer George Neillands; Mrs. Lester Perrin's beautiful ride on her good bay mare Coeglen on Sunday to win the Hunter Trials for the successive year; to say nothing of the Hunt Ball in between, which lived up to its anti-prohibitionist traditions.

Now that the drought which has plagued hunting so far this year has been so thoroughly broken, we look forward to a good season. There are plenty of foxes; that fine huntsman, Buster Chadwell, is in excellent form; and the pack, if appearances and its splendid showing at the Bryn Mawr Hound Show are any criterion, has never been better.

Steeplechasing

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Little Sammie, a brown gelded son of Sammie and Little Charmer, owned and trained by the venerable George H. (Pete) Bostwick, captured his first stakes victory of the season on November 11th, when he was a front-running winner of the \$15,000 Manly Steeplechase Handicap, final stake of the Eastern season on a major race track.

Not only that, but Little Sammie was winning his third straight score in the same number of starts at the Maryland Jockey Club course. This gave Mr. Bostwick, who also had saddled Mrs. Ogden Phillips' Look Around for a score early in the session, the honor of being the leading jumping trainer with four victories. And Jimmy Smiley, who rode Little Sammie on all three occasions, became the top man among the jumping jockeys with a trio of victories.

The Manly score added \$11,850 for the season. He was the lightweight of the five-horse field under 136 pounds.

No field seems too tough for Little Sammie. He beat a fair field under a \$4,000 claiming tag his 1st start here and then returned to hang a lop-sided score on a good allowance field.

Tom Mott's Floating Isle, which led briefly over the first two hedges, was a soundly-beaten 2nd in the Manly. He was 15 lengths back of

running. We were unsuccessful in working out this check and cast back toward the road, only to put up another hare. Since this was family Sunday at church and no excuses were acceptable, we were unable to accept this last challenge and returned to the kennels at 10:30 A. M.

—Thomas L. Grier

Planetoid Brings \$16,500 In Early Keeneland Buying

The market is as high as ever. The Wiseacres said it couldn't possibly absorb over 800 lots at one time. However at the end of the first three sessions it was evident that there is still plenty of hard money available for good horses. Top of the Monday morning sale consisting of broodmares and weanlings was the grey mare Planetoid, winner of the Jeanne Stakes and dam of the \$35,000 yearling Grey Flight which recently won the Autumn Day Stakes, Sammy Smith, presumably acting for J. S. Phipps of Blenheim Farms, The Plains, Virginia secured her for \$16,500. The high weanling was her bay colt by Can't Wait bought by David Novick and Abram Hewitt of White Post, Va. The latter consigned Grey Flight to the Saratoga Sales and evidently thought he would like more of the same.

Calumet Farm sold four mares by *Bull Lea, *Sir Gallahad III, Haste and Chance Play for a total of \$35,000. The stallions Trymenow, Boy Knight and High Breeze brought respectively \$12,500, \$9,000 and \$5,500. The yearlings consigned were mainly those not sufficiently matured for the Summer Sales. Nevertheless 129 lots brought a total of \$308,200.11 and were knocked down for \$5,000 or better. The high dollar \$9,000 was paid by C. C. Tanner for the dark bay colt by Bless Me out of Bryonia consigned by Brutus Clay. Other expensive purchases were made by J. A. Kinard and Deering Howe who bought the colts by Fighting Fox and Bless Me consigned by A. B. Hancock and Jack Denis.

—A. M. S.

Little Sammie at the end and, in turn, was 20 lengths to the good of Lowry Watkins' Tourist List. Miss Ella Widener's Chance Bullet was the 4th and last horse to finish, 40 lengths to the rear of Tourist List.

Today's Manly revival was the 27th. The race, won last year by War Battle, is named for William Manly, one-time president of the Maryland Jockey Club.

It being Armistice Day and the 3rd from last day of the meeting, a crowd of 17,325 was on hand to watch the Manly under gray skies, a raw, biting wind and a steady rain. The infield course, wet and soggy, was termed heavy and Little Sammie's time of 5:34 4-5 was .46 2-5 seconds slower than War Battle's course record set last year.

The lone casualty in the race was Brookmeade Stable's 2-1 favorite, Greek Flag, this fellow, winner here last week of the Battleship Steeplechase Handicap, skidded on his stomach at the 3rd hedge and unseated Danny Marzani. The latter remounted and took off after the leaders but, strangely enough, fell at the same obstacle, (the 9th) the next time around. This time no attempt was made to remount. Marzani was uninjured and walked off the course under his own power.

At the start of the two and a half mile jaunt, which covered 18 jumps, Floating Isle led for two obstacles but Little Sammie was rushed up from 2nd place to be leading at the 3rd hedge. From that point, he never was in danger and just galloped along on the front end for the entire trip despite a slight bobble at the 17th, Floating Isle 2nd and Tourist List 3rd. Greek Flag was running 4th when he lost his rider.

Chance Bullet, a trailer all the way, bobbled very badly at the 16th, 17th and last hedges and was barely galloping when he crossed the finish line.

Early declarations from the Manly were Mrs. Stephen Clark, Jr.'s Trough Hill and Mr. Phipps' Look Around.

27th running Manly 'chase 'Cap, abt. 2 1/2 ml., 4 & up. Purse, \$15,000 added; net value to winner, \$11,850; 2nd: \$3,000; 3rd: \$1,500; 4th: \$750. Winner: br. g. (7), by Sammie-Little Charmer, by Sun Charmer. Trainer: G. H. Bostwick. Breeder: J. H. Lewis. Time: 5:34 4-5. 1. Little Sammie, (G. Bostwick), 136.

J. Smiley.
2. Floating Isle, (T. T. Mott), 145.
N. Brown.
3. Tourist List, (L. Watkins), 141.
F. Hutcherson.
5 started, 4 finished; also ran: Miss E. Widener's Chance Bullet, 137, W. Mallison; fell (9th). Brookmeade Stable's Greek Flag, 140, D. Marzani. Won easily by 15; place same by 20; show same by 40. Scratched: Trough Hill, Look Around.

Among Those Playing Polo Today

Squadron A Armory Opens Doors For Indoor Season With Good Group Of Players Ready For Series of Matches

William F. Goodrich

Youth is a wonderful thing everyone must agree. However, youth in polo is not always the star. Nine times out of ten it's the veteran who steals the show.

But this year youth will surpass itself and no less an authority than Earle W. Hopping, Sr., veteran internationalist, speaks out for it.

"After World War I it took at least two years for the younger polo players to readjust themselves," said Hopping.

"I have watched the progress of the young ones after the latest war and I really believe that starting with the 1947-48 indoor season the youngster will be in a better fix than he was 27 years ago."

The polo veteran, who may referee this year at the Squadron A armory which opens the doors on its 23rd season November 22 with a double-header, is not hinting that the veteran is nearly through.

"I had better explain myself," said Hopping in the Squadron A ring, "before many in the game will jump on me."

"The youngster is not as quick to ride back into the game at full speed ahead after a long layoff. The veteran knows how to pace himself, pick up his pace, in less than a year."

Hopping's point in mind are the seasoned performers like Buddy Combs, winner of 4 championships on Long Island during the past summer, Billy Nicholls, Al Parsells, Del Carroll, Billy Rand, Henry Lewis III, Zenas Colt, Alan Corey, Jr., Billy Reber, John Clements, Dr. Earl Hopper and son, Buddy, Walter B. Devereux, Bobby Clark, Walter Scanlon, Marty Christiansen, Billy Zimmerman, and scores of others.

Hopping was particularly impressed with the first year play of the following youngsters. They are: Chris and John Ballantine, Buddy Moore, Billy Ylvisaker, Paul Miller, Tom Long and Walter Nicholls.

In speaking of Miller, voted the rookie of the year during the 1946-47 season, the 30 year man said:

"There is a player destined to take his place among the best indoors. A similar future could be his outdoors. I watched him this past summer at Bethpage and that's where I formed my opinion of him."

POLO PUTTS—Winston Guest, the only indoor player ever to attain a 10-goal rating, is looking forward to a comeback. Out of the game close to 10 years, Mr. Guest made known his plans for the coming season at the annual meeting of the Indoor group at the Union Club.

Said Mr. Guest, to Lyman Whitehead, chairman of the Squadron A polo committee.

"I'm going to take you up on your kind offer this winter Whitey. Then,

after you, I'm going to Miami to play with Mike (Phipps) and Stewart (Iglehart) at the Orange Bowl."

George Oliver, the rangy Texan, who rode with Stewart Iglehart's National Open Championship Old Westbury team, is in Florida and ready for play at Delray, Palm Beach and the Orange Bowl. Before Mr. Oliver left New York, he got together with the New York and New Jersey polo heads in an attempt to work out exchange games between the North and the South.

Alan Corey, Henry Lewis and Marty Christiansen are scheduled to ride as the Meadow Brook Ramblers against a Ramo team in one of the games in the Squadron A opener. Squadron A players will make up the other attraction.

Potomac Hunt

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the road they had a nice view of a big, shiny red fox. When hounds left the woods some of the young hounds had fallen back, owing to a tight wire fence. While one of the Whippers-In was bringing on the back hounds the Huntsman, Whipper-In and Master with the lead hounds, were putting the fox to earth in Mr. Plummer's pasture.

The horses were fresh and it was a short and not too fast a run, but the lather on them was an indication of the temperature. However, Douglass, our huntsman was anxious, and it was evident that this was only the beginning. Blowing his pack together, he once again headed for Gordons Woods, crossing Piney-Meeting House road, over the in-and-out chicken coops at the bridge, drawing Mr. Plummer's meadow and on to the woods. While drawing the meadow Mrs. Randall, Hagner sent word that she had viewed a fox crossing the meadow and disappearing into the woods. This message was relayed but we knew the fox had about 20 minutes start. Douglass, with his hounds made a wide circle of the woods, staying as near to the creek bottom as possible. Finally, it happened. Hounds had been trailing this walking fox, picking up the trail, where the moisture permitted, until they struck the pines on Mr. Norton's farm. It was at this point they got him running and the entire pack went away in full cry. Crossing over the Goat-Farm knoll, running towards the Ross farm, and straight to River Road. Whatever, turned this fox we will never know. Instead, of crossing River Road the fox decided he would give hounds, horses and

riders a chance to air themselves, and also something to talk about and remember the opening hunt of the '47 season. The turn the fox made led us back over Mr. Norton's pastures for the entire length of his beautiful fields along River Road. The hounds were running well packed and driving a hot fox. Footing for horses was perfect and the plank fences afforded the opportunity to "take them where you saw them". This was a beautiful sight. Hounds left Norton's crossing the cinder road on to the old Geo. Sack's property into the rock lands, back of the old barn. Here hounds made a bother. Several dens were noticed on this knoll and it looked as though the fox may have gone to earth. However, this was not so as Douglass caught sight of Rattler, Rowdy, Jollity and several others running hard towards Normandy Farms. The staff picked up hounds and tried to get through the heavily grown-up weeds and briars to the line, but could not move along fast enough and they were also delayed by wire. This last run had been hard with fast galloping, even the fit horses had had all they could take.

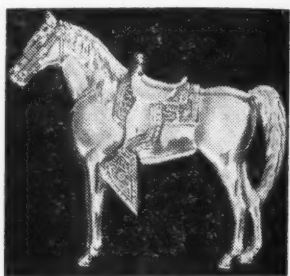
It was interesting to see so many new faces and good riders in the field. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Pain, Mrs. Brereton Poole, Miss Taylor, whose father Edwin S. Taylor has recently purchased the Lechleider farm, Alden Crane, he has been cubbing regularly, in the wee small hours of morning, Miss Ellie and Master Mike McConihe, well turned out on their ponies done up in the Hunt colors. Ellie, not to be outdone, had her little pig-tails tied with the same colors and Mike had borrowed Pop's buff colored stock. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Norton and young Ray, this being their first year behind hounds. Mrs. Earnest Smith and her daughter, on their pair of well matched greys made a snappy picture as they arrived at the Meet. Joseph Cotter with his daughter, Mrs. Margaret Kramm, Joe, riding the newly purchased seventeen-two bay gelding, which Margaret has great hopes of making into an open horse, greater than Rocksie. Wilbur McInerney and his son, Jack Hughes, Jack Devereux, Mrs. Elsie Bias, Mrs. Richard H. Hawkins, on her "Yard-Stick", with which she won the "Eleanor Exnicios" Memorial Cup last year at the Hunter Trials. Samuel Bogley, mounted on a black, having left "Ring Master" in the pasture, awaiting his time at Madison Square Gardens this coming week, and W.

Halbert Poole. The regulars were there as usual, Mrs. George Plummer, looking very stunning with side saddle on her famous chestnut mare, Justice Richmond B. Keech, on his flashy black three year old. We understand, there is only one other Federal Justice who is riding to hounds. Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Lamotte, Mr. Moran McConihe, Dr. and Mrs. Robert (Pete) Moran, Mr. and Mrs. William Carroll, Nelson Jeffrey and his daughter Jane. This youngster is a good young rider and a keen fox hunter. Mr. and Mrs. Cassell Hanson, Carvell Bowen, who has been a member of Potomac for a number of years, and vans his horses from Hyattsville, Md. "Bill" Earnest, he being the son of the Whipper-In, A. G. Earnest. Mrs. Duvall, who hunted for many seasons, before the war with Potomac, as Miss Robbin Riddick, before her marriage. Marshall Exnicios, Miss Bella Hagner, Gabriel Murphy, Ralph Counselman, R. A. Brodessa, Mrs. Eugene Carusi and many others. Coming up from Virginia were Dr. Tom Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Ester Palmer, of Warrenton, Mr. Preece, Master of Fairfax Hunt, and Mr. Graham, Secretary of the Fairfax Hunt.

The Master's grand party was a fitting climax for a day of real sport and good fellowship. —A. C. B.

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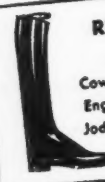
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And pray for a good run today. It is thirty-six years since "Mask" wrote those lines and added other verses, one of which opens "And may the harsh din of political strife be hushed, and let good-will abound". An earlier poet sang thus of November, and the opening of another hunting season.

The dead leaves are falling, the plough-shares have set Across the bare stubble their ribbons of brown;

Besides the old covert old comrades have met. When the berries of Autumn are 'twined in a crown; For when roses are scattered and swallows depart, Merry England returns to the game of her heart.

There is no denying the fact that to the country man the parade of a well-dressed, well-mounted Field meant much. It is undoubtedly a fact too, that Jorrocks was right when he said that a great many who come out hunting in scarlet wouldn't come out at all if they had to ride in black. He added "I think ingenious youth should not be permitted to wear it at starting, for a scarlet coat in the distance, though chock full of hignorance, is quite as alluring as when it encloses the most experienced sportsman".

"Let us join the glad throng that goes laughing along, for we'll all go a-hunting today", is the refrain of an old song. Two wars, and all their repercussions and aftermath, together with a party in power which has engendered class hatred, and done its utmost to destroy British tradition, have had much the same crushing effect on the spirit, as had the bans and restrictions of the kill-joy Partisans. There is no denying the fact that we are a depressed nation, and that even hunting, once claimed to "drive away all care", is no longer a specific for ills of minds and body. Whether the great national sport can ever regain its status remains to be seen. Maybe when restrictions on horse-feed, on clothing, and on travel, together with those on the liberty of youth, are all removed, there will be some who will have incomes large enough to gratify their love for horse and hound, and all the joys they can bring, to restore hunting to something of its former greatness and splendour.

All this seems rather a doleful prophecy regarding the future of hunting, but it is as I see it. If this Government does not stop long enough in office to pass its Anti-Sports Bill (which would immediately bring hunting to a sudden end), I am convinced that the packs in the Shires, and quite a number of provincial Hunts, will ultimately regain much of their pristine glory. Many of the smaller Hunts, however, will continue only where there is a band of keen farmers. These will become more or less farmers' packs, run inexpensively, with little or no parade, and with old-fashioned sport as the only objective. It must readily be admitted that there can be as much sport and fun under such conditions as when the scarlet and buckskins, the new toppers, immaculate boots, second horses and smartly turned out second-horsemen, horses sent on

Fox River Valley Hunt

Northbrook, Ill.
Established 1940
Recognized 1941

Master: Denison B. Hull.
Hounds: English.
Hunting: Fox.
Colors: Scarlet, gray collar.

A sunny day does not provide the best scenting conditions, but it can provide a very colorful spectacle. Sun, Nov. 2, was just such a day, and provided a hunt that was both colorful and unusual. Members of all five hunts in the Chicago area met at Big Oaks Farm near Barrington to hunt behind the Fox River Valley Hunt's pack of home bred English hounds. The Field was the largest seen for years in this part of the country,—perhaps quite the largest. There were members of the Longmeadow, the Wayne-DuPage, the Oak Brook, the Millcreek, and of course, the Fox River Valley. There were seven Masters and ex-Masters of Foxhounds, namely Clark J. Lawrence, ex-M. F. H., Randall Poindexter, M. F. H., Edgerton Throckmorton, ex-M. F. H., Paul Butler, M. F. H., Theodore Mohlman, M. F. H. and Denison B. Hull, M. F. H. There were a lot of good horses and a lot of top riders, but seventy-eight are too many to mention by name. Suffice to say, the best from all the countryside were out. Against the background of autumn foliage the coats of scarlet and of black looked like a sporting print, only better, because they were real.

Leaving the meet hounds jogged to a point west of Spring Lake and were sent in to draw the low land around the edge of the lake. The draw was blank and enlivened only by Lictor, a big blundering puppy that had to be hoisted over a fence he couldn't squirm through.

From the edge of the lake hounds drew back through the woods behind Big Oaks Farm, and finally came out on Donlea Road. From there they went south through a small patch of woods, and thence along the hedgerow forming the west boundary of Big Oaks Farm. Near an earth in this hedgerow they found, and streaked away to the corner. Here for a fraction of a second they hesitated, then headed east toward the creek bottom and the concealing weeds. The hunt staff Tom, Dick and Harry (yes, those are their names) were forced to turn back, pop a fence, and gallop along the north side of the boundary fence with hounds on the south side running parallel. But near the bottom of the valley they swung and jumped

by motor-van, and sportsmen returning home by motor car, all added a certain picturesqueness dignity to the winter sport. But these things are, temporarily at any rate, impossible. True, some of them may be described as non-essential embroidery, but this generation had become used to them, and feels frustrated and cramped without them. We have not yet reached the end of thwarting restrictions, and it speaks well for the vitality of hunting that it has come up to scratch again this November. Rather shabby, lacking much of its glamour, pomp and circumstance, sportsmen, sportswomen and Hunt staffs not so well mounted, fewer Hunt servants, fewer hounds, fewer young people in the Field, less money in the bank, and no one able to entertain the Hunt as they used to do, the quandom gaiety of the chases rather like a bottle of fizz which has stood all night with the cork out. But isn't it good after all, to be with hounds again, to meet congenial spirits, to have a horse of any sort underneath one, and to feel the thrill of "tallyho, gone-away!", with the accompanying note on the horn, go right down one's spine!

into the next field after the hounds with three hundred hooves pounding after. Here hounds checked in the weeds.

Remembering the earth on the opposite side of the creek, Dick carried hounds across the bottom, drawing as he went, and crossed the ford to cast them along the bank on the other side. There was a moment of silence and then an excited clamor from the pack. They had pushed their fox into the water and swam out to kill him six feet from shore. The brush went to Daisy Poindexter, who was a witness of the kill.

After calling hounds in Dick took them across Algonquin Road and drew through the Henneberry place.

NEWS FROM ABROAD

On the far side the pungent scent of fox was noticed by the squad of Masters at the head of the field, and sure enough the hounds gave tongue again. A quick scramble over a trappy panel put the Field up with the pack, but nothing was visible but a scurrying rabbit and a few excited puppies. Where the fox had gone was a mystery. The pack wasted no time on riot (they're pretty steady) but went on drawing. However, it was getting late, and as further casts were in vain the Master gave the word to go home.

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Letter From New York

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ward the close of the past season. But he is sound as can be and always seems to find fresh life each winter wandering around the fields of Jack Skinner's place in Middleburg, Va. Phalanx will probably race another season, and may begin to move up as a real threat to some of those South Americans in our longer races.

Brann Horses

Eddie Christmas has not yet announced whether W. Brann intends sending the great Maryland mare, Gallorette back to the races once more, but the Brann horses will winter at Bowie this year instead of Aiken, and they will probably bear watching in the early season, for horses come down off that hill running in the spring.

Jim McGovern

The death of Jimmy McGovern took from racing a man who was a distinct adjunct to it, though he never had reached up into the ranks of trainers, etc. and, to all intents and purposes, was merely an exercise rider and a steeplechase jockey but he knew horses and was far more than he appeared on the surface.

His death also emphasized once again the real problem of steeplechase jockeys. Too heavy to ride on the flat, many of them are superb horsemen, yet they have nothing like the chance of the flat race boys to win enough money to leave an estate behind them. And their calling is, to say the least, extremely hazardous.

Steeplechase Fund

It seems to this writer, very strongly, that the United Hunts, which does such great good to the sport with the money earned at the meetings at Belmont, could very sensibly and rightly, build up a fund to be used for the families of steeplechase riders. Not necessarily for those who lose their lives, for this, happily, is not too frequent. But for use in any emergency. These men keep this branch of the sport, which a good many people regard as highly important, going. Without them, it would die. And certainly money aimed toward the end of encouraging this type of rider would be money spent very wisely in encouraging the sport.

Thoroughbreds

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business" above-mentioned.

Today racing, like all things else in our "moderne" scheme of life, is ruled by the dollar-mark. By that sign it has conquered and thunders ponderously along its broad, steam-rollered path toward still more dollars, dollars, dollars—and nothing else but—saving still more and more and more of the same desideratum. Merit, class, greatness—they have become merely incidental to the process.

There is much talk about them and about—but the star fact obtrudes that considering the number of race horses now annually bred and performing over the tracks of this broad land the percentage of really high-class—to say nothing of great—ones among them is the smallest on record.

If you are inclined to doubt this statement, please refer to the summaries of the autumnal stake events now in their last phase. They are such that the real sportsman cannot but hang his head in shame, so pitiable is the picture they present of immense sums of money for the most part distributed among animals of a class so low that the contrast is not less than shocking.

But, again—it is all of a piece with the way of the world as the world nowadays is thundering on. And, one feels justified in saying, it cannot well be expected to be otherwise.

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Review of Conditions and Classes Called For By Changing Times and Wide Interest In Better Horsemanship

Frank E. Hartman



Our world is shrinking in point of time. With aero-transportation of horses, international racing is just around the corner, and one may well justify the thought that the truly international horse show might well become commonplace; hence, universal rules, such as offered by the Federation Internationale Equestre, might well be considered for more general practice over here.

There seems to be a need today to diligently preserve, in as great a degree and variety as possible, truly amateur competitive sport. If we look at some of the more purely amateur sports of a generation ago we must feel some apprehension of the degree to which commercialism and pure exhibitionism have crept in. Exhibitionism can never be divorced entirely from human sports activities, for it is inherent in the nature of man—and animals—and serves a very useful purpose, so long as it does not become an end in itself. But commercialism is the death of amateur sport, and I do believe that we cannot deny that both commercialism and pure exhibitionism are tending to taint equestrian activities today.

If we are to preserve purely amateur sport with horses, it would appear that it can best be done with the more purely performance activities, such as jumping horses in general. While not losing sight of poise, I believe that it belongs in a different category.

It is amazing what a patient, skilled, knowing, and reasonably aggressive rider can get out of a jumping horse, as opposed to what a hasty, belligerent rider gets out of the same horse! Here we have the potentialities for the preservation of sport that rests on the skill and understanding of the individual, as opposed to sheer opportunity that may be available to the unskilled, and which might permit the unskilled to excel, or appear to excel, over the skilled (sotto voce: the gaited horse as an outrageous example).

The downright working hunter, and field horses in general, for that matter, offer wonderful media for the display of skill in training and riding, that fall within the means of a large number of persons. (We must reckon with reduced pocket books these days). But they have got to be given a chance. This means sufficient classes to justify taking such horses to shows, and conditions of these classes such as to reveal and reward true worth for taking a rider across a country, hunting or otherwise. But such horses should not be asked to compete with the glamour boys. Let us, by all means, have conformation classes. Every horseman loves a model horse, and more so if he can perform, but let's not mix them. I am aware of the ruling of the A. H. S. A. excluding conformation hunters from working classes, but that is not enough. We must educate judges to forget their biases and prejudices, and if we work to perfect the statement of conditions, all but the hopeless judges will do a better job.

The handicapping of show horses, classification of amateurs and professionals, etc., would be excellent things for us to practice. We want youth to compete in shows. Youth cannot go on forever facing defeat, and youth will ultimately react to injustice in a way that is not good for him.

Your publication occupies an unique position for carrying on such a mission. In fact, you have already made an excellent start in that direction, and you should be complimented for it.

Clean horsemanship is as fine a medium as can be found for building character. There is no need to go into detail, for you appreciate its special features in that respect, but it must be kept at a high standard. For my own part while I enjoy hunt shows, I would deplore any type of show as the sole reason for horsemanship.

Hunting and cross-country riding offer grand sport for a variety of reasons. In hunting we find an outlet for man's inherent desire to in some degree risk his neck, it satisfies his natural regard for tradition, color, a little display and gregariousness amongst his kind. It should be, and in my experience is, most attractive to youth possessed of any spirit worth reckoning with. If we are to keep hunting youth must be continuously inducted. To youth horse shows mean a very great deal. When kept strictly sportsmanlike they offer a healthy outlet for their natural love of both competition and exhibitionism, which we must not deplore, but control. There will always be those to whom a show is an end in itself. We must accept them while setting them an example.

In closing, shows should bring out the well schooled horse. Class conditions must be made to accomplish this. The recent articles in The Chronicle about dressage and the hunter have been most interesting to me. No one wants to go to extremes. Let us leave Haute Ecole for what it is; and let us also leave the "hell-for-leather" riders very much alone with their artifice—then, perhaps, some of them may learn to ride.

Championship Honors Bestowed Upon Juniors Of Northern Circuit

The New England Horseman's Council meets annually and selects awards for championship honors among riders at New England shows. This year's meeting at the Hotel Catpenter, Manchester, N. H. on November 15th closed with awards to riders in 27 horse shows affiliated with the Horsemen's Council. Top of the heap is Elaine Shirley Watt of Great Barrington, Mass. who has been awarded the coveted prize for Grand Champion Rider. Reserve goes to Alice Rinehart of Weston, Mass. Miss Watt also won champion hunter seat. Champion rider under 12 will be given to Miss Shirley Gronberg while New England Champion rider under 13 is Lucy Boyd of Weston, Mass. Under 14 is Shirley Ann Tavares of New Bedford while under 15 finds Miss Gronberg again in the role of winner. Other awards are:

Grand champion conformation hunter—Rebel, Henry Yozell, Laurhen Farms, Dedham, Mass.

Reserve grand champion conformation hunter—B-B, E. O. Wilson, Lancaster, Mass.

Champion lightweight conformation hunter—B-B, E. O. Wilson, Lancaster, Mass.

Champion middle and heavyweight conformation hunter—Lady Valerie, William Schlusemeyer, Millis, Mass.

Champion lady's hunter—Tie: B-B, E. O. Wilson, and Rebel, Henry Yozell.

Champion amateur ridden—Towie, R. D. Gilmour, Woodridge, Conn.

Grand champion working hunter—Rebel, Henry Yozell, Dedham, Mass.

Reserve grand champion working hunter—Lady Valerie, William Schlusemeyer, Millis, Mass.

Champion lightweight working hunter—B-B, E. O. Wilson, Lancaster, Mass.

Champion middle and heavyweight working hunter—Greyflight, Barbara Payne, Newton, Mass.

Champion children's hunter—Cocaine, Harold Bruel, Providence, R. I.

Grand champion jumper—Charlie McCarthy,

Alken's Wide Range Of Sporting Works Amazing In Scope

Mr. Sherman Flint has kindly sent The Chronicle a series of 4 photographs of paintings by Henry Alken he has in his very considerable collection. One of these, reproduced on the front cover, of the cocking main, shows the birds in furious combat. These 4 pictures were found by Mr. Flint in a road house just outside of London where they had been painted by Henry Alken on wood panels.

Henry Alken was of Danish parents, his family name being Seffrien. It is interesting that in spite of this foreign heritage he was so accurately able to portray English sport in its heyday with so farseeing and 'maginative a tone. One of the most prolific of the 18th century artists, his canvases are also the gayest, showing a fun, vigour and variety that astounds one with their knowledge of sport, accuracy of line and attention to detail.

A man would have had to have been an ardent foxhunter himself to paint as Alken has done of the art of hunting but in all of his scenes, whether it be cocking, racing, hunting, he shows the same genial good humor and sense of fun. Whether he is ranked as a great draughtsman or not, his works remain, one of the principal contributions to sporting art enlivening the pages of books, in collections and even as this painting has been done, the panels of taverns and hostleries.

Weld Stock Farm, West Roxbury, Mass.

Reserve grand champion jumper—Sheik of Albrurac, Albrurac Farms, Raymond Lutz, Wilton, Conn.

Hi jumper champion—College Flyer, George Nichols, South Hadley, Mass.

Champion offered in the P. H. A. class—Sheik of Albrurac, Raymond Lutz, Wilton, Conn.

Champion amateur ridden jumper—Sunapee, Edmond Bowen, Waterbury, Conn.

CLASS B

Nine horse shows participated in the Class B. Division of the New England Horsemen's Council. The following awards were made:

Grand champion rider—Elaine Shirley Watt, Great Barrington, Mass.

Reserve grand champion rider—Dorothy Austin, Meriden, Conn.

Champion rider under 12—Nancy Potter, No. Dartmouth, Mass.

Letters To The Editor

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Adaptable 17 pounds over the grueling three mile course, and carried the top weight of 164 pounds, 26 pounds of which were lead. Perhaps Adaptable's fine breeding did have something to do with his splendid finish in this race, but I would be willing to venture that War Battle would have been at least fifteen lengths in front of Adaptable had they both been carrying the latter's light load, or that Adaptable would not even have been in at the finish had he been carrying War Battle's 164 pound assignment. Inasmuch as they are both six-year-olds, I think this is a much fairer comparison than that intimated by Mr. Baldwin. Congratulations on the splendid page of pictures showing the outstanding steeplechase trainers.

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In the Country



CANADIAN ADDITION

2nd Lt. W. R. Ballard certainly did a grand job as a member of the Canadian Army Horse Show Team with his Rejact at the National. Rejact performed in the top rung throughout the show and many remembered him as the chestnut gelding which was shown by the Milton Hartman stable, capturing many ribbons for that tack room in the open jumper ranks.

BROKEN COLLARBONE

Masters Billy and Johnny Hoy have been making quite a record with their Maryland ponies but this year was their first trip to the Garden. Billy was schooling their top little grey mare, Surprise when she hit a chicken coop, rolling the coop over three times and breaking Billy's collarbone. Not to be done out of his trip and riding, Billy rode in a hack class.

NEW OWNERS

Mrs. Raymond Barbin had entered Sun Boss and Royal Salud at the Garden but between the closing date for entries and the opening of the show, both horses had been sold. Sun Boss went to Robert Fairburn, M. F. H. of Spring Valley Hounds while Mrs. John Cross purchased Royal Salud. Mr. Fairburn lost a good 2-year-old recently in Beau Bravo. The colt was turned out in a field and in trying to catch up with another horse on the other side of the fence, he ran through the panels. On the way back to the barn, he dropped dead. Royal Salud has been showing successfully in California and was entered in the Garden before he came East.

LONE ENTRY

The four military teams not only had competition among themselves, but in some of the classes open to all nations and all branches of the service, there was a brown gelding which quietly entered the ring, performed in the same quiet manner and was back again for the jump off. Easy Do was shipped east with a carload of polo ponies from Texas by Rube Williams and was shown this summer. Col. A. A. Friarson bought him about three weeks before the National Horse Show and spent that time trying to get a little more weight on him. Although "schooling" an open jumper seems to consist of methods which get more extreme every day, Easy Do was popped over three jumps on Saturday before the Garden opened Tuesday. Col. Friarson was formerly stationed at Tucson, Ariz. but is now at Trenton, N. J., while Easy Do is stabled at Lawrenceville.

PRESS ROOM INTERVIEW

With the National Horse Show brought to a successful conclusion, president of the show, Whitney Stone, Alfred Tuckerman, secretary, were in the press room. People moved back and forth, some coming by to be introduced to the two gentlemen. As the room became more crowded, two young ladies entered and observing Mr. Stone standing in top hat and tails in the midst of the group, asked, "And what does that man in the uniform do?"

BLACK CADDY

Fred Hughes and his black stallion, Black Caddy won many ribbons in the show rings and in 1942 they had left the Maryland section and were at Fort Bliss, Texas where Capt. Hughes was stationed with the First Cavalry Division. Black Caddy was sold to the Mexican Government with the understanding that after

the war was over, Capt. Hughes could buy him back. The war has been over for a couple of years and Sunday night at the Garden, the name Mexicano is over and Black Caddy is back. In a special ceremony following the last class, Black Caddy was given to Mr. Hughes. He rode him from the ring and the many people who stayed to see the presentation were more than pleased to see him returned to his former owner.

NEW ENTRIES

Senorita Eva Valdes and Nino Roberto Vinals represented the civilians from Mexico and the open jumping eliminations in the morning almost always found they qualified for the afternoon class. Senorita Eva Valdes is the sister-in-law of Lt. Col. Humberto Mariles, Captain of the Mexican Army Horse Show Team and Nino Vinals is the godson of former President Manuel Abila Camacho. The National was their first United States Show and they both went on to the Royal Winter Fair which opened at Toronto on November 18.

GARDEN RAIL NOTES

Anyone who has watched Honey Craven and his coaching horn always remembers it. Great care is given to the horn and never does it appear in the ring without its brilliant sheen. Along the rail there is a box in which the horn is carefully placed when not in use. Making a preparatory puff into its three foot length to start the next class, a look of dismay flashed over the usual jovial features of the blower. Someone had stuffed Kleenex in the end! The Irish Army Horse Show Team gained the strong support of all the spectators but lost one of the horses of the team. Tuesday morning a sergeant took Enniskerry out on the pavement and in crossing the street, the horse was hit by a truck. An x-ray showed that Enniskerry's leg had been broken and he had to be put down. At the Waldorf Tuesday night after the final class, fun for all, music for dancing. President Whitney Stone took over the microphone to thank various people for the splendid job they had done in helping with the show. Andrew M. Montgomery, genial chairman of the entertainment committee was next in line and the serious part was over. One of the persons mentioned by him was the owner of a nice working mare which came from Texas and since she had been shipped such a long distance, Mr. Montgomery wanted to give a present to her owner, Fred Lege III. Back at his table, Mr. Lege first noticed a green necktie among the ribbons on the box. Opening the box, he found a large container with Spounds Compound in prominent letters. It wasn't a Spounds product after all; the inside revealed a bottle opener in the shape of the last part of a horse to go over the jump. . . . Everyone was prepared for a skit and it took form in the shape of Amory Haskell, M. F. H. of Monmouth County Hunt, depicting William H. Martin whose sheep dogs had given such grand exhibitions during the show. Introduced as "Mr. Martini" by "Announcer" G. T. Kirby, he summoned his 4 "dogs" and then 4 "sheep" were let in through the door. As it had been at the Garden, the dogs were to get the sheep into a pen which Mr. Martini and his group accomplished without difficulty. Completing the rest of the exhibition, "Announcer" Kirby, as did Announcer Otis Trowbridge, said, "Now you may applaud". Following the exhibition, the "dogs" and "sheep" were identified and duly separated and the party went on. The Military Teams performed not only in the ring but did their bit for the amateur program at the party. Following the appearance of the Rhumba King and Queen of Mexico, Mrs. Frederick Van Lennep was announced as the "Rhumba Queen of Pennsylvania". The short and long of it was that she took as her partner, Lt. Col. Humberto Mariles, captain of the Mexican Army Horse Show Team. Command-

ant F. A. Aherne delighted all with his Irish folk song but Commandant D. J. Corry bowed out as he was not in his best voice. . . .

TOO MUCH PIMLICO

A chuckle going the rounds concerning the Green Spring Valley Hunt Club's failure to go out on Saturday, Nov. 8 (a day which, in Maryland, began wet, blustery and miserable but ended sunny and fine) is relayed as follows: One member, telephoning at noon to ask if hounds would go out, was told "no" by a somewhat unhappy voice at the other end.

"Not going out? Why, what's the matter?"

Came the sour—but pithy—reply: "Too much Pimlico, sir, that's what's the matter!"

A FLING AT THE DITCHES

Mrs. Alfred Smithwick is contemplating a winter with only one hard-riding son at home instead of two. Son Patrick, until recently riding 'chasers for Oleg Dubassoff, will fly to Ireland about Nov. 25 to winter with relatives there and take a fling at the banks and ditches of Irish hunting country. Paddy will get in a side trip to England, and hopes to see some race meets as well.

LOW GEAR PERFORMER

Overheard at the Elkridge-Harford Hunter Trials: " . . . She says he's a fine-jumping horse but he's only got one gear and that's low, so we might as well eat lunch while we're waiting for her to finish the course!"

FLOATING ISLE LEADS

When Floating Isle captured 2nd money of \$3,000 in the Manly Steeplechase Handicap at Pimlico, it brought his total earnings to \$44,450. As Pimlico's closing brought the curtain down on steeplechasing at the major tracks for the 1947 season, this figure makes him the leading money winning steeplechaser. The 7-yr.-old brown gelding by Battleship—Dream On won 4 firsts, 2 seconds and 8 thirds in 22 outings. His 4 victories were all stakes events, being the Appleton, Beverwyck, Saratoga and Harbor Hill Steeplechase Handicaps.

N. S. AND H. A. MEETING

The board of stewards of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Assn. held a meeting at Pimlico on November 12 and expressed its regrets to Mrs. James McGovern, widow of the steeplechase rider. \$500 was appropriated from a special fund for her use. . . . A number of applications for licenses were granted and the board discussed some amendments to the rules of racing. Among the members present were George H. "Pete" Bostwick, George Brooke 3rd, John Strawbridge, F. Skiddy Von Stade, S. Bryce Wing and John E. Cooper.

Chronicle Quiz Answers

1. To ascertain the height of a horse with a measuring stick.
2. Equipoise, 1 mile; Ballot 1 5/16 miles; Bolingbroke, 1 1/2 miles; Chilhowee, 1 3/4 miles.
3. In 1804 Miss Hervey was in foal at 31, but was unfortunately destroyed.
4. A horse's height is measured to

Great Aunt Amelia

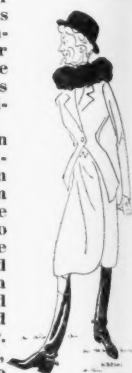
by AIDAN ROARK

Great Aunt Amelia has a good laugh when she thinks of the time the Master of the Camolin Hunt took after her with his whip. It was embarrassing for her, but for the Master it was downright humiliating.

On the day in question she joined Mr. Corrigan and his pack on the way to the first draw, but no sooner had she said a polite good morning when her horse kicked the best hound into a ditch. Mr. Corrigan boiled, and when he found the hound had two cracked ribs, he exploded. "Go home," he snarled, "and never come out with my hounds again as long as you live." Naturally, G. A. A. felt badly, but her explanation which was a good one was lost on the Master. He had begun swearing in English, but having exhausted the possibilities of that language, he had fallen back on Latin. G. A. A. had no intention of going home, but to save further trouble she retired round a bend in the road and waited till hounds mor- ed off.

Half an hour later she was leading the hunt when the Master caught up to her, forced her to jump a five-barred gate to escape the lash of his whip, then drove her down a road for three miles before pulling up to go look for his hounds. Later that evening when G. A. A. rode up to the house, out he came with a shot gun. "Get out," he roared, "or I'll shoot the blasted horse that ruined my best hound." "Go ahead," chuckled Great Aunt, "but don't forget he is your horse and you invited me to ride him!"

Mr. Corrigan peered through the gathering gloom. "So it is—so it is," he mumbled. "My God! I forgot that I had asked you to ride him, and think of my best horse kicking my best hound and me not to know the animal. But you won't let on what a fool I've been," he pleaded. "No," said Great Aunt, tartly. "That's a condition no one can change, but if you give me a cup of tea, a dish of eggs and drive me home, maybe the rumor won't get around."



the top of the withers, the unit of measurement being the hand which equals four inches.

5. Laminitis.
6. The standard bushel of oats weighs 32 pounds, but good feed oats should weigh 38 pounds or better.

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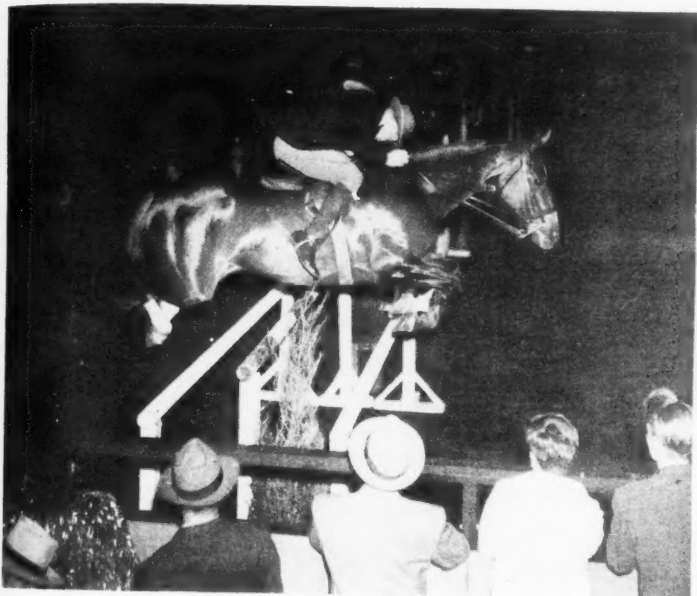
Highlights At The Garden



Mrs. Whitney Stone was escorted to the ring by Alfred Tuckerman to present the Dicksfield Farm Challenge Trophy to the champion hunter. Miss Ellie Wood Keith rode the John T. Maloney's SUBSTITUTION to top the division. Carl Klein Photo



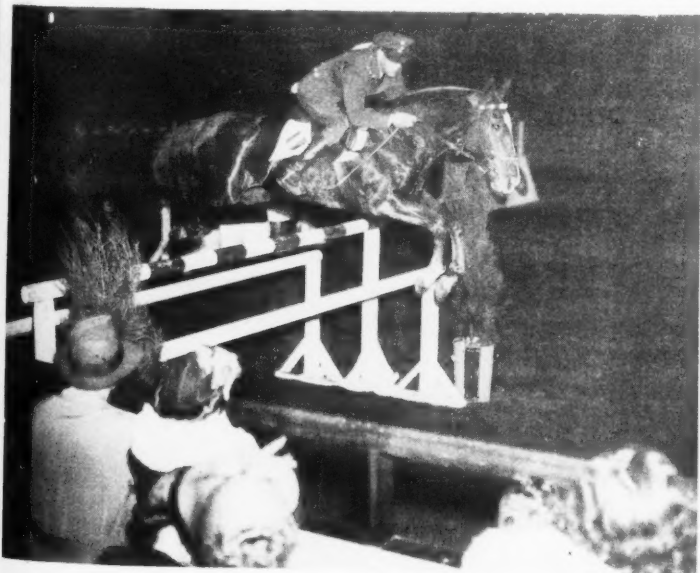
LIBERTY BELLE performed throughout the season to top entries in the P. H. A. Trophy competition. At the National, Mrs. Howard Serrell and Ted Wahl presented the bowl to owner Nat Krupnick. Carl Klein Photo.



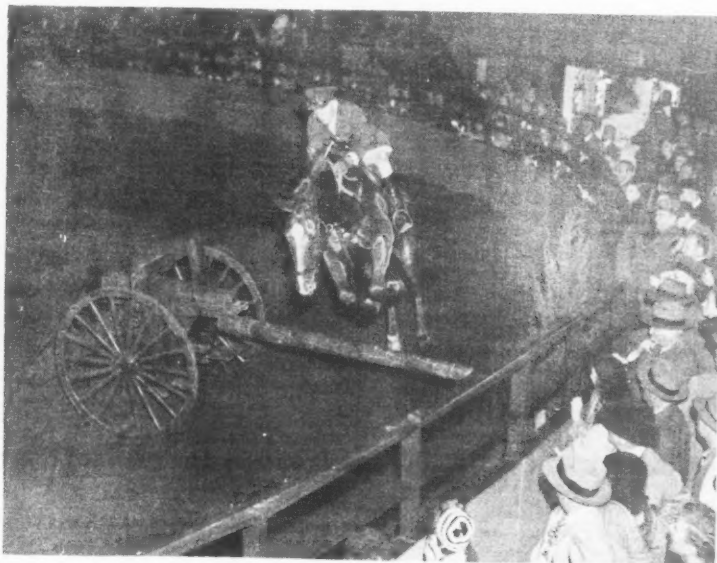
Patty Farrell rode W. R. Ballard's open jumper, POPPY, at the Garden and finished a point ahead of Sterling Smith's SUN BEAU for championship honors. Carl Klein Photo



Miss Helen Ferguson rode Vernon G. Cardy's FLYING COLORS in his new job as a working hunter. This little Canadian horse caught the judges' eyes, not alone on color but on performance and was pinned working hunter champion. Freudy Photo



RESORTE, a member of the Mexican Army Horse Show Team and ridden throughout the show by Lt. Col. Humberto Mariles, proved to be the one to try to outjump in the Military classes. Carl Klein Photo.



A favorite with the daily spectators at the Garden was Commandant D. J. Corry of the Irish Army Horse Show Team. Shown here on LOUGH NEAGH, Commandant Corry cleared the cannon which proved to be the downfall of a number of entries. Carl Klein Photo

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